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SIGNIFICANT SESSION OF SBC MEETS IN MIAMI

Miami, Fla. — Miami's Bayfront Park, place of pleasure, was transformed into the meeting place of 10,000 Southern Baptists as they poured into the city by automobile, train and plane from the District of Columbia and 19 states extending from Maryland to California.

This is the 89th session and the 101st year of the Southern Baptist Convention. It is meeting in Miami for the first time, but has met in Florida three times before—at Jacksonville in 1911 and again in 1922; at St. Petersburg in 1932.

All Convention messengers praised Miami's sunny skies and cool breezes, but they had one big criticism of their convention city—lack of an auditorium large enough to hold the conference.

Of the more than 5,000 visitors who

had arrived this morning for the opening session, an estimated 3,000 could not squeeze into the Bayfront Park hall.

A few hundred sat outside the building on folding chairs and bleachers, some sprawled on the ground under palm trees and shrubs, but most of them stood throughout the morning. They milled around the park grounds, greeting friends and making no attempt to follow convention speeches carried outside by loud speakers.

"It's tough to come 1,300 miles to attend an important meeting and then not be able to get inside to hear the speeches," said the Rev. Jack DeVore, of Granite City, Ill. "I for one won't come back to a Miami convention until they get a good auditorium."

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Woman's Missionary Union Convention Re-Elects Mrs. George R. Martin President

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY Union Guid By EDWINA ROBINSON

Meeting in the 58th year the Woman's Missionary Union Convention gave emphasis to the needs of the world and our responsibility "To Serve The Present Age". The theme was based on the hymn of Charles Wesley's, "A Charge to Keep I have".

Meeting Held in a Church

For the first time in a number of years the Convention was held in a church—the spacious Central Baptist Church, Dr. Roy Angel, pastor. The first session of the convention was held on Sunday afternoon—quite fitting that this service should be a great "Worship Service". Dr. W. O. Carver spoke on "Thou Shalt Worship". Beginning with Moses, coming

down through the prophets to Jesus Christ, he spoke of worship in the lives of these. "What is worship?" Dr. Carver reminded us that worship is behaviour of a personality in the presence of the Divine. "Why" worship? Because God deserves, desires and requires our worship. "How" worship? In all we do—we should have this basic attitude of soul.

The Silent Billion Speak

The author of this challenging book, Dr. Frank C. Laubach, was the feature speaker for the great Sunday night service. This great service was held in the beautiful Bayfront Band Shell. Dr. Laubach is the special counselor and representative of the Committee on World Literacy and Christianity.

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Blue Mountain, Miss., May 15—Dr. Frank M. Powell (left), pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo, who will preach the Baccalaureate sermon for the Blue Mountain College graduating class, Sunday, June 2, and Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, who will give the Commencement address, June 3.

Dr. R. G. Lee Is "Youth For Christ" Speaker

Dr. Robert G. Lee of Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, will be the speaker on Saturday night, May 25, at the Youth for Christ meeting in Central High School auditorium at 7:45, according to Harold Jordan of Kosciusko and Jackson, youth worker for Mississippi, and local director of the Jackson Youth for Christ movement. Young people and friends of young people are invited to attend this meeting.

A program presented weekly at 7:45 Saturday nights and lasting for about an hour and a half helps to meet the current needs of young people. Director Jordan says that they encourage young people "to TURN IN early Saturday night, to TURN OUT early Sunday morning and to TURN UP to all the services in your own church."

Marston Directs Music

Music each week is under the direction of R. A. Marston, Educational Director of Griffith Memorial Baptist Church, Jackson, and Miss Ouida Hardy serves as pianist. Special music



DR. R. G. LEE

is arranged each week—often by the trio composed of the Evans sisters and Ouida Hardy. The chorus of Miss (Continued on Page Two)

NBC Appoints Director Of Religion For UN Project

NEW YORK—Appointment of the Rev. Everett C. Parker as director of religion for the United Nations Project of the National Broadcasting Company was announced today by Dr. James Rowland Angell, NBC public service counselor.

Mr. Parker, who is director of the Joint Radio Committee of the Congregational Christian, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches of America, will coordinate the activities of churches and church groups in aid of the NBC-UN Project and advise in the preparation of local and network broadcasts by religious groups during United Nations Week.

The NBC-United Nations Project is

an effort by the network to enlist the active support of Americans in achieving the purposes of the United Nations—lasting peace built on justice (Continued on Page Two)

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Moody Bible Institute To Teach Missionaries To Fly

CHICAGO—(RNS) — The Moody Bible Institute here has announced that next September it will teach missionaries to fly their own planes.

Two light training planes will be used in the course, Dr. Will H. Houghton, president of the Institute, revealed. Students will study the theory (Continued on Page Two)

REMEMBER NEEDY BRETHREN! A MESSAGE TO BAPTISTS OF EVERY LAND

BY DR. J. H. RUSHBROOKE
President of the Baptist World Alliance

A Hungry World

A grim fact dominates the thought of the nations today. A thousand million men, women, and children—in other words, nearly half the people on the earth—are underfed. The pressure of need varies. In some lands it can be met by "tightening the belts." In others the available food, even if fairly rationed, is far from sufficient to maintain health. In yet others, especially in the Far East and

in certain parts of Europe, starvation confronts everyone.

United Nations Agree

The delegates of the United Nations, though often differing on other (Continued on Page Two)

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Washington Review

BY LARSTON D. FARRAR
Religious News Service Correspondent
URGES SPIRITUAL ADVISERS
Rep. L. Mendel Rivers (D.-S.C.), has inserted in the appendix of the Con- (Continued on Page Two)

REMEMBER NEEDY BRETHREN!

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matters, were of one mind on this. The British Foreign Secretary was the spokesman of all. Without hesitation or dissent their resolutions stressed the fact of widespread and dire need. All acknowledged the obligation to adopt every practical means of relief. All concurred in urging the frugal use of resources and the avoidance of waste, in order to increase the supplies to hungry fellowmen.

Governmental Responsibility And Voluntary Service

The one hopeful feature in the harsh outlook is that "war against famine" is already organized. Nations have accepted responsibility. Huge grants have been made by governments. Indeed, only the action of states, and their substantial support of bodies such as UNRRA, can deal with the situation as a whole. Nevertheless, voluntary efforts, though covering but a small fraction of the total need, have their own value. They are marked by a human warmth not easily developed in connection with political and "official" organizations.

Baptist Concern

What are Baptists doing, and what should they do?

As taxpayers they of course contribute through their governments. They take a full share in supporting such societies as the Red Cross, and are liberal in subscribing to interdenominational and general relief enterprises.

Such participation does not, however, satisfy them. They are moved by direct concern for those with whom they are most closely associated, and they know that these are to be found in every area of suffering.

For more than forty years Baptists have been linked in their Baptist World Alliance with minorities that in many countries have "for the sake of the Name" endured persecution, ostracism, and legal disability. We have stood together in the defense of these minorities, and the realized brotherhood of Baptist people is now an impregnable fact.

The Practical Expression Of Our Brotherhood

Baptists are appealing from country after country that our fraternal unity shall find practical expression.

Happily, that desire can be met. No member of our communion anywhere in the world will be denied opportunity. Adequate organization exists. Already in 1943 our Alliance appointed a "World Emergency Relief Committee" to supplement the relief and reconstruction enterprises of its constituent bodies, and in particular of the mission boards and societies. This Committee has two objects: to coordinate the work of the various Baptist bodies, and to fill gaps. It will not, as a rule, deal directly with the needy countries (though it holds itself ready to do so where no adequate Baptist organization is at work). Nor does it seek to become a medium for raising money from areas in which mission boards or conventions are doing this. It will endeavor to gather facts, and to keep all Baptist bodies informed of what others are doing. Any money it receives will be distributed through the Baptist Unions of the assisted lands.

The Whole Baptist World To Cooperate

I, therefore, urge on behalf of the World Emergency Committee of the Baptist World Alliance:

1. That all Baptists give earnest thought to the plight of their fellow-

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gressional Record a thoughtful letter relating to spiritual advisers at the peace conference by W. Montgomery Bennett, of Beaufort, N. C.

"How did it happen that the spiritual leaders of America were actually present at the San Francisco Conference when UNO was born?" the letter writer asked, and answered his own question:

"The answer is that the State Department invited six religious organizations—two each from the Protestant, Jewish, and Roman Catholic faiths—to send representatives to San Francisco to act as advisers to the American delegation.

"The invitation was accepted and what those advisers did in the way of being a constraining and restraining influence on the delegates is now a resplendent page of history.

"I submit that our government should make similar arrangements whereby spiritual advisers will sit behind our delegates at the 21 nation peace conference presently to be held to effect peace treaties for half a dozen of the Central European nations."

VETS STUDY FOR MINISTRY

One of the most successful wartime projects undertaken by the General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains, which maintains headquarters here, was the idea of having Protestant chaplains send in the names of enlisted men in the various branches of the service who were interested in entering the ministry, or some other type of religious work, after leaving the service.

Although he modestly disclaims

believers in the hungry lands;

2. That they contribute through the Mission Boards and, or the Baptist Relief Committees in their own countries, for the assistance of the needy;

3. That from areas in which no committee or Mission Society is collecting for this purpose gifts be sent to the World Emergency Committee of the Baptist World Alliance. (From the Eastern Hemisphere such gifts should be sent to the President of the B. W. A., 4 Southampton Row, London, W. C. 1; from the Western Hemisphere to the General Secretary of the B. W. A., 715 Eighth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.)

Some of the constituent bodies of the Alliance are raising funds specifically for reconstruction of churches and institutions, the provision of Bibles and other literature, the training of preachers during the period of emergency, and so forth. These also are welcome expressions of the fraternal spirit which permeates our people. Letters from stricken lands make it clear that such needs are as acutely felt as the physical with which this message deals, and that sheer want renders our brethren unable to cope with them.

The simple plea which I offer in the name of the Alliance Emergency Committee, with (I am confident) the full support of the entire ecumenical brotherhood of Baptists, is that every member of our communion everywhere shall do what he can to help brothers and sisters in Christ. Their need speaks for itself; the way of help is open; and fellow-Christians will be eager to respond:

"HE THAT LOVETH NOT HIS BROTHER WHOM HE HATH SEEN, HOW CAN HE LOVE GOD WHOM HE HATH NOT SEEN?"

MOODY BIBLE INSTITUTE TO TEACH MISSIONARIES TO FLY

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of flight, meteorology, navigation, and aircraft maintenance. Special attention will be given to instruction in civil air regulations in foreign countries, maintenance problems in arctic and tropical climates, and other phases of flying that would have particular interest for missionaries, Dr. Houghton said.

The program will be directed by the Rev. Paul F. Robinson, who holds Civil Aeronautics Authority certificates as a commercial pilot with flight instructor ratings.

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NBC APPOINTS DIRECTOR OF RELIGION FOR UN PROJECT

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and understanding among nations. Highlight of the project will be the celebration of United Nations Week, Sept. 3-9, followed by a world-wide conference of radio executives and educators in January.

"The success of the United Nations will be measured by the depth of its impression on the conscience of mankind," said Mr. Parker in accepting the appointment. "The political machinery finally achieved, the economic barriers wiped out, will last only until a new upheaval unless the actions of nations are based firmly on moral law.

"Aside from national and economic rivalries, the peace of the world today is threatened further by religious rivalries which cut across national boundaries, but which divide the globe into separate sections nonetheless. Men of goodwill of all religions must learn to live side by side if lasting peace is to be achieved."

Mr. Parker, a graduate of the University of Chicago and the Chicago Theological Seminary, in addition to serving as director of the Joint Radio Committee, also is director of the Religious Radio Workshop of the University of Chicago. He edits "The Best in Radio Listening", a periodical distributed among church groups. He was formerly minister of the Waveland Avenue Congregational Church, in Chicago, and served for a year as assistant to the public service manager of NBC.

credit, this project was the brainchild of Dr. Jacob S. Payton, assistant director of the commission, who put it into effect late in 1944.

Thus far, no less than 4,750 names of prospective ministers have been gathered for the various denominations in this way. A special Commission on the Ministry has been set up within the Federal Council of Churches to follow up on the idea and actually to help the thousands of prospects get into theological schools.

BILL WOULD AMEND CENSUS ACT

Another surprising legislative religious move of the week was introduction of a bill (HR 5864) by Rep. Christian A. Herter (R.-Mass.) providing for an amendment to the Census Act exempting religious organizations, or their representatives, from any threat of federal prosecution in case they refuse to furnish statistics to the Bureau of the Census.

Under the law as it now stands, anyone refusing to give information desired by the census-taker may be fined up to \$500 and sentenced to not more than 60 days in jail. Anyone deliberately furnishing false informa-

DR. R. G. LEE IS "YOUTH FOR CHRIST" SPEAKER

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Mississippi College under direction of Professor E. N. Elsey will appear this week.

The Youth for Christ movement is comparatively new. The book "Reaching Youth for Christ" by Torrey Johnson and Robert Cook tells the story of this adventure in faith and the growth of the Youth for Christ movement in the cities of our nation, Washington, New York, Chicago and the cities of the South.

Purpose Is Three-Fold

The three-fold purpose of the meetings are:

1. To win boys and girls to Christ.
2. To channel young people into the local churches.
3. To combat juvenile delinquency by giving young people somewhere to go on Saturday nights for entertainment.

Attendance Averages 500

Outgrowing the meeting places (monthly meetings in Victory Room of the Heidelberg Hotel and weekly meetings at the Y.W.C.A.) the weekly meetings in recent months have been in the Central High School auditorium and the attendance has averaged more than 500.

Among the speakers who have appeared on these programs are Commissioner Arnold of the Salvation Army; Dr. D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board; Dr. W. W. Enete, missionary to South America and ventriloquist with "Sammy"; Dr. J. E. Barnes, pastor, Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg and member of Executive Committee of Youth for Christ in Hattiesburg; and Dr. John Newport of Clinton.

The Youth for Christ movement is supported by individual free-will offerings. There is an executive committee composed of business men of which J. F. Brantley of Brantley Cleaners is chairman, and an advisory committee from the ministerial council of Jackson.

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Albuquerque, N. M., (SPBA)—Harold Dye, editor of the Baptist New Mexican, New Mexico Baptist state paper, has resigned to accept the call of the Central Baptist Church, Clovis. Under Editor Dye's leadership, the New Mexican reached its highest circulation.

tion could be fined \$10,000 and sentenced up to one year in jail.

In 1936, when the last census of religious bodies was taken, this information was carried on the face of every questionnaire sent out by the Bureau of the Census and caused no end of "challenges" to government authority from religious leaders.

Some church statisticians who are interested in seeing the law remain as it is have tried to get Census officials to leave the offending "threats" off forms to be sent out this year. They point out that the government ought to have the right to fine persons who do not comply with regulations, but that bureaucrats ought not to be so stupid as to threaten church leaders in advance.

"Nobody every expects any church leader to be fined or imprisoned for not giving information, or correct information, to the Bureau of the Census, but a change in the law now would be inviting false statistics," these spokesmen maintain.

Mississippi Baptists—Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1 Cor. 13:8

"We preach Christ Crucified." I Corinthians 1:23.

"Lead me to some soul today, O teach me, Lord, just what to say: Friends of mine are lost in sin, and cannot find their way. Few there are who seem to care, And few there are who pray; Melt my heart and fill my life, Give me one soul today."

I

Having set the time for our South American trip, with the schedule worked out, making contacts with missionaries, securing passports, health certificates, police certificates and taking smallpox vaccination, we were ready to go visa hunting. We turned towards New Orleans for that purpose. We went on a trip around the world without a hitch anywhere regarding credentials and we certainly desired to be "fixed up" right again this time. We need no visa for Puerto Rico because it "sort of" belongs to the United States. Therefore, our first contact was at the British office where a smiling young gentleman, up early, told us that we needed no visa for Trinidad (Port of Spain). Some of the other offices opened a bit later but within a day and a half we had made the rounds and had received courteous consideration at every point. If all South Americans are as courteous as those encountered in the office of the consul general of each country, we know we will have a great time in South America and we expect just that.

II

We visited Parchman! At the 11:00 hour we preached on the "Blood of Christ" to a large number of white inmates. As the invitation was given, some 35 white men walked the aisles for Christ, showing on which side they stood. Five lingered asking for baptism at the hands of a Baptist church. Others stated their intention of going into other churches. One who completes his term soon announced his intention of preaching the gospel as a Baptist minister. One of their own number built a very nice pulpit. Atop the pulpit was a very nice Bible, also a Christian flag and an American flag. Flowers had been tastefully arranged by them. Songs appropriate to Mothers' Day were sung.

We enjoyed a fine noon meal in the home of the family of Superintendent Wiggins. We were shown every courtesy.

In the late afternoon we made the service being held by the Negro Baptist church at another camp. Again we heard some really great singing. Their preacher is a very capable and seemingly spiritual man. We spoke on "Crucifixion of Christ" and a Negro made a profession of faith, asking for baptism at the hands of the church.

Chaplain A. R. Beasley is intently interested in the rebuilding of these people, starting at the right point—namely, the spiritual. He has the sympathy, understanding and help of Governor Bailey, Superintendent Wiggins, the sergeants, et al.

At least 75% of the inmates of this institution are Baptists by experience or preference. It is true that there are by far more Baptists than any other denomination in Mississippi. This partially explains a preponderance of Baptist population in the penitentiary. A honest people, at the same time we had just as well face our own delinquency, our shortcomings, our failures, our indifference, our jealousies, our sins—that make possible this situation. With 50% of our churches quarter-time church, what may we expect?

With 25% of our churches half-time churches, what may we expect?

With one-sixteenth of our churches Saturday or Sunday afternoon appointments, what may we expect?

With a sixteenth of our churches lost so far as work or works go, what may we expect?

With only one-eighth of our churches so called full-time churches, what may we expect?

The New Testament ideal is "and DAILY in the temple, and in every house, they cease not to teach and preach Jesus Christ," (Acts 5:42).

How does the ministry of those of us who are preachers stack up with the Apostle Paul? "And how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publicly, and from house to house, Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." (Acts 20:20-21). With hate, jealousy, strife, division, worldliness, Sabbath desecration, et cetera, often driving the high and low in the church and out of the church, what may we expect?

The Bible has a way out. Jesus is the way. First, preachers, teachers, deacons and others in the churches, experience and walk that way, and others will surely follow whether in the penitentiary or outside the penitentiary.

Professors of the faith must possess the faith, then the words of Jesus, "I was in prison and you came unto me," (Matthew 25:36) will have a new meaning. Read Matthew 25:31-46—Jesus speaks! What will we do about it?

III

As we face our trip to South America our heart is filled with sincere thanksgiving and deep appreciation—

First, to God for His manifold blessings. He blesses us, of course, far beyond our deserts. Romans 12:1-2. Psalm 103:1.

Second, to all Mississippi Baptists for their multitudinous considerations, generous cooperation, and great helpfulness in many ways and at all times. Just about all of our other several trips have come out of our earnings, mostly as a pastor. You generously provided as a gift practically all of the expense money for this trip!

Third, to perfectly splendid office helpers in joining us in gathering materials and making generous preparations for the trip.

Fourth, to Pan American Airways System in general and Miss Anne Hutchins of that office in particular, for giving attention to minutest details in meeting our needs in air transportation. Incidentally, Miss Hutchins is a Jacksonian and she has been most helpful indeed.

Fifth, to our own State Department for the passport; to the office of the Consulate General of each country to be visited, and located in New Orleans for visas; to Municipal, State and National leaders for statements in reference.

Sixth, to South American missionaries whom you will hear about later, and who have been very helpful in establishing contacts, and,

Seventh, to Dr. R. C. O'Ferrall for physical examination and vaccinations with certificate, and to Dr. G. A. McCarty for a dental checkup in preparation for the trip.

IV

Rev. and Mrs. C. O. Dunkin, formerly of Fairbanks, Alaska, are now located at Hammond, Louisiana, from which center they will go out speaking on the situation in Alaska. They traveled from Fairbanks to Hammond, 4,955 miles, over the Al-Can Highway. Mrs. Dunkin was the first woman permitted by army officials to come over this highway.

Dr. Strathearn, LeTourneau Foundation director, recently phoned us from New York City stating they were ready to reinstate the salary of a man doing Evangelistic and Stewardship work. Rev. B. H. Benton, who served as pastor at Taylorsville and vicinity for some years, is now on the field in soul-winning and stewardship work. He is available to those in every section of the state. He should be called on for holding revivals, schools of missions and stewardship institutes in church and unchurched areas. He is well qualified for this work. While Taylorsville is not one of the largest churches, it usually stood well up in the list of the 100 leading churches each year. On the last Sunday at Taylorsville and Union churches there were sixteen additions, 42 who pledged to tithe and one person surrendered to preach the gospel. He is a native of Puckett in Rankin County and attended Mississippi College and Baptist Bible Institute. He may be addressed at Box 530 or Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi.

We realize that the churches for the most part were just getting into and under the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign as the list of contributions were recently portrayed. Next fall or at the end of the year when another list of the contributions is presented a vastly different picture of love and loyalty will be shown.

V

Do you recall how we hung on to radio war reports during the progress of the war? We hungered for news of battles won! We eagerly awaited word of V-E and V-J days. Many of us had investments because father, brother, son, nephew or friend were out there. In Matthew chapter 18, 1-14, Jesus suggests that Heaven is waiting on and watching for news of Victory in soul-winning and other kingdom processes that lead to Victory.

Do we await eagerly news of spiritual victories won for Christ? Many people do thrill at such news. We regretfully admit that many others have more of the spirit of the elder brother of the prodigal son. See Luke 15.

"Where there is no vision, the people perish," (Proverbs 20:18).

Mississippi Baptists need to exercise vision in the matter of a great summer assembly where our people might find worship, information and relaxation during June, July and August. We need to exercise vision in the matter of the use of the radio in preaching the gospel. Radio time is already scarce and becomes more so every day that passes. We need to exercise vision in the matter of a visual education department. Most of all we need to press the preaching of the gospel throughout every city, town, village and section of this state and all around the world.

While foreign mission doors are opening to us again we are of all people most foolish if we do not ask the Lord to "send forth laborers into the harvest" and if we do not provide money for sending them to every nation upon the face of the earth. We are today preaching the gospel in about 20 of the 65 to 85 nations of the earth. Jesus did not say do it in 20 nations. He said, "teaching all nations," (Matthew 28:19-20) and "preaching the gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:18).

VI

"But seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." (Matthew 6:33). These words are well known to the average Bible student. The world does not know these words because the world does not know Him! Today we have hunger and poverty stalking abroad in a world God made to be bountiful and rich! Where is the maladjustment? It is deep seated! It means that people are not seeking the Kingdom of God and His righteousness—thus they are paupers and hungry—sometimes the innocent suffering with the guilty. If people were "seeking first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness," they would not bring on war, strife, jealousy and hate! If people were "seeking first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness," they would not seek to perpetuate a system merely for the sake of preserving their own jobs! If people were "seeking first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness," they would not seek to advance their own favored position at the expense of making others miserable.

David said, "I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread." (Psalms 37:25). That is rich testimony and we believe right testimony!

In this country over half the people are by their own profession Godless! What may we expect?

Jesus had it right in Matthew 6:33, and the world will generate this spirit or the world will degenerate!

VII

Others of our returning chaplains who should be claimed by some of our church fields are—Eugene Farr, Clinton, Mississippi; L. E. McGowen, 803 Hollywood, Dallas, Texas; Paul Cooper, 400 W. Grand, Jackson, Tennessee; R. L. Holmes, 4502 Jackson Ave., Chamblee, Georgia; C. O. Daniels, 315 Earl

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I Accept

It is said that an eccentric woman a long time ago made the significant remark, "I accept the universe." According to Paul Berman, Thomas Carlyle heard about it, and with a grim smile, he said tersely, "She better!"

How many do accept the universe, however? Among the people you know, how many are seeking to interpret the universe in terms of an Omnipotent and Omniscient Father? Rather, how many are wasting time and temper over events they cannot change any more than they can change the courses of the stars?

We are not responsible for the universe. We did not make it. But we are everlastingly responsible for how we take it. The universe means something. It is a glorious adventure to seek the true meaning of life. To attempt to face a universe without seeking to interpret it as God's, can lead to despair. Or it can lead to that nonchalant, shoulder shrugging attitude of "eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow we die," which, is, as someone said, but despair dressed in gold and purple.

Jesus is the key to the interpretation of the universe. He said, "He who would save his life, shall lose it . . ." "The greatest among you . . . let him be servant of all."

A tiny baby interprets life, but does not understand it. The baby interprets mother as one who ministers, nourishes, shields and responds to needs expressed by its cry. The baby does not understand all about mothers' love and sacrifice. It accepts it.

Jesus promised, "My peace I leave with you." He did not promise peace FROM trouble. No, what is better, peace IN trouble!

Let us each say, "I accept."

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Due to the length of the report of the Miami Convention we are cutting the space used for editorials in order to have more room to report the Convention.

SIGNIFICANT SESSION OF SEC MEETS IN MIAMI

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Outside of that, Miami is a grand city."

Following the usual opening exercises consisting of songs, prayer, scripture, a welcome address, a response, President Neff delivered the President's address (which he said should not be required of a president).

President Neff Urges Baptists To Prove Worthy Of Heritage

Dr. Neff, former Texas governor from Waco and president of the convention, harked back to the first convention in 1845 at Augusta, Ga., of 238 church fathers, whom he styled "the original have-nots."

"They had no telephones, they had no automobiles, but they got there just the same—those colorful, courageous crusaders for Christ," he declared. "They had empires in their purposes and new eras in their brains," he added.

"We must revere those founding fathers, because a people that does not revere a glorious ancestry will not produce anything worthy to be recorded for posterity. Dr. Neff said, "Sound the battle charge; awake Baptists from the mountains to the seas," he urged, "if not, we shall have proved unworthy of our heritage."

Describing the current era as "the B-29 age in which just to be living is sublime," Dr. Neff insisted: "If we are to keep step with progress in mechanics and materials, we must as a denomination move out swiftly, aiming for the highest and the best."

Dr. Rushbrooke Warns Against Anti-Russian Sentiment

Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, London, president of the Baptist World Alliance, warned against sharing in the anti-Russian sentiment.

"While we mourn the anti-religious attitude prevailing in Russia, we must not contribute to the forces which would launch another world struggle," he said.

The featured speaker on the morning program, Dr. Rushbrooke, addressed a perspiring, fanning throng estimated at around 5,000 at the opening session of the Southern Baptist Convention in Bayfront Park auditorium.

"We must be understanding of the Russians . . . we must wish them well and give assurance that we would not deprive them of the fruits of their labors," he declared.

Although little information has seeped through the "iron curtain," he said, he added that there was hope that new contacts would be established soon through which would trickle news of the church there.

"The lot of the Baptists in Europe during the war was a test of faith in Christ," he asserted. "But the ranks of our people stood firm before the Nazi onslaught."

"Our Norwegian brethren were as a stone wall," he said. "In Romania, under Antonescu, they remained firm despite confiscation of their property and persecution in concentration camps."

He related that one Baptist in Sweden helped to smuggle 8,000 Jews into that country with the connivance of German officers who hated Nazism.

Dr. Rushbrooke also voiced hope that "effective fellowship" would be restored among the Baptists in Germany ere long.

The address of Dr. Rushbrooke was followed by the annual sermon delivered by Dr. J. W. Storer of Tulsa, Oklahoma. (Editor's note: This sermon was printed in last week's Baptist Record.)

Johnson Asks That Recommendations Be Printed

On Wednesday afternoon the recommendations of the Executive Committee were presented by the newly elected Executive Secretary, Dr. Duke K. McCall, but the Convention refused to take action because one messenger (Dr. Walter L. Johnson, pastor, First Church, Philadelphia) asked that action be deferred until the recommendations could be printed in the daily bulletin and thus give the messengers an opportunity to study the proposals.

The suggestions of the Executive Committee were printed as requested and then adopted. They are:

1. That the high spiritual objectives of the 1945-46 program be continued with special emphasis upon private and corporate prayer for the peace of the world, for divine guidance for our own nation, and for the success of our agencies, missionaries, and Christian workers in all lands.

2. That all our agencies and people be urged to join in the promotion of Christian stewardship of time, talent, and treasure, and that special effort be made to enroll a million Southern Baptist tithers for Christ.

3. (1) We recommend that for 1947 the designated and undesignated southwide Co-operative Program goal be ten million dollars, including both current operating expenses and capital needs.

(2) That in keeping with the agreement between the Executive Committee and all southwide agencies that the total operating budget of the Southern Baptist Convention for 1947 be five million dollars.

(3) That the following percentages apply to the distribution of the first five million dollars for operational needs.

| 1947 Percentages | |
|---|-------|
| Foreign Missions | 46% |
| Home Missions | 18% |
| Southern Baptist Theological Seminary | 5% |
| Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary | 5% |
| Baptist Bible Institute | 5% |
| W.M.U. Training School | 1% |
| American Baptist Theological Seminary | 2% |
| Relief and Annuity Board* | 15% |
| Radio Committee | 9-10% |
| Southern Baptist Hospital | 1-10% |
| Baptist Brotherhood | 1% |

*Note: 8 1-3% is for the servicing of its old annuity contracts.

(4) That the distributable Co-operative Program receipts above five million dollars shall be allocated according to the mutual agreement between the southwide agencies based on the 1945 survey and set forth in the March, 1946, meeting of the Administrative Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention to wit:

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|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| (1) Home Mission Board | \$500,000 |
| (2) Southern Seminary | 967,000 |
| (3) Southwestern Seminary | 829,000 |
| (4) Baptist Bible Institute | 829,000 |
| (5) American Theological Seminary | 75,000 |
| (6) Relief and Annuity Board | 250,000 |
| (7) Radio Committee | 50,000 |
| (8) Foreign Mission Board | 3,500,000 |

(To be raised in the 1946 Special Emergency Campaign).

(5) We recommend that designated funds for capital needs for any agency or institution be applied on its goal but when the goal of said agency is

met it will not participate further in distributable capital funds until the goals of the other agencies are met, however it shall continue to receive any designated funds.

4. In the light of present world needs which challenge Southern Baptists to share of our abundance with the victims of war we recommend:

(1) That May and June of 1946 be used as a period of preparation for the promotion of a special campaign with a minimum goal of three and one-half million dollars for world relief and rehabilitation, the same to be administered by the Foreign Mission Board, following this preparation a cash offering be taken beginning in the month of July and continuing until completion but not beyond September 30, 1946.

(2) That the expenses of this campaign be paid out of receipts with an advance from the Foreign Mission Board to cover the costs of promotion.

(3) That the plan of promoting the Co-operative Program and the special campaign be in harmony with the accepted methods in each of the co-operating states.

(4) That all promotional literature and publicity be uniform and that it be prepared by the Executive Committee in co-operation with the state secretaries, editors of state papers, and the executives of southwide agencies.

Dr. Louis J. Bristow presented the report of the Baptist Foundation Committee which was adopted. The Foundation is similar to the Mississippi Baptist Foundation with the exception that it is to be southwide in scope and headquarters are to be in Nashville.

Dr. Crouch Honored

Louie D. Newton, in behalf of the Executive Committee, presented a beautifully embossed scroll commending retiring Executive Secretary Austin Crouch for his long years of faithful service as head of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

After Dr. W. H. Knight, Shreveport, La., presented the report on evangelism, Dr. M. E. Dodd, Shreveport, La., past president of the convention, made a rousing report on evangelism, one of the Baptists strongest programs.

Not only those who were crowded into the auditorium, but those who were hearing him by loudspeaker outside the auditorium applauded frequently as Dr. Dodd made his report. "Evangelism made us what we are," he declared. "It must sustain us."

"I am not afraid of the atomic bomb," Dr. Dodd continued. "I am concerned about the hearts of the men who manage it."

To prove that Baptists have freedom of thought, there were several who disagreed with the report of the Committee on Revision of Constitution and By-Laws. Several amendments were offered and it was finally voted that each item be considered separately. This took time and after discussing a few items the Convention adjourned at 6:00 p. m.

The remaining sections were taken up on Thursday afternoon. When a motion was made to amend and then to defer action until next year, the messengers soon showed that they were in no mood either to amend or to defer. (The Committee was appointed three years ago and at Atlanta in 1944 it was voted to defer action until the next Convention). All motions to

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amend or defer were lustily voted down.

Editor's note: The new constitution and by-laws will be printed in a later issue. Lack of space prevents printing them this week.

Centennial Night

Wednesday night was Centennial night in commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention at Augusta, Georgia in 1845.

In his address on "Hitherto Hath the Lord Helped Us", Dr. Louie D. Newton stressed the fact that Baptists through history "came preaching".

"Preaching," he said, "has . . . made the Baptists what we are."

Threat Seen

"From the historic day," he said, "when the first Baptist church was constituted in the western hemisphere in Providence, R. I., in 1690, and on through the unfolding chapters . . . the story forms an inspiring saga of Christian testimony that fills our heart with unspeakable gratitude."

Dr. Newton warned that "recent trends in our country indicate clearly that Baptists and other evangelicals must again face frankly and courageously the sinister effort to involve our nation in political ecclesiasticism."

"God grant," he added, "that we may carry on the work our fathers sought to do and begin in this vital matter of witnessing always everywhere for religious liberty."

Looking to the future in an address closing the Centennial celebration, Dr. W. R. White, Austin, Texas, told the Convention audience, estimated at 10,000, they must think now in terms of one humanity.

"All our concepts must embrace the earth," he said.

Road To Brotherhood

"Not all races of one birth, but of one rebirth, is the road to brotherhood. We face the alternative: The highest form of brotherhood or the worst form of barbarism."

"Christian influence is powerful. It can be a savor of life unto life or death unto death . . . Its quality must be greatly heightend."

A moving picture, titled "The Romance of a Century" also was a feature of the evening session.

The Rev. C. Oscar Johnson, pastor of the First Baptist Church of St. Louis, will speak at the Miami Kiwanis meeting Friday noon.

Others of the Baptist leaders will meet with and speak to Miami civic groups during the week. Many of them will be guest speakers at Sunday church services. Sunday is the closing day of the convention.

In a report on the Southern Baptist Hospital at New Orleans, Louis J. Bristow, superintendent, showed the institution admitted 25,269 patients last year.

Included in the total were 2,633 births, 3,175 emergency cases and 894 charity patients. Total income including gifts were placed by Dr. Bristow at \$1,322,413.17.

A new dormitory housing 130 students was completed at a cost of \$230,759 and an incinerator at a cost of \$26,908, he said. Forty-two women were graduated from the school of nursing and 17 doctors completed their fifth year of schooling.

Dr. Bristow stated that prolonged and careful study of conditions in San Antonio lead us to believe the full

strength of Southern Baptists is needed and should be given to the cause there. The city presents almost an exact parallel to New Orleans and comes within the purview of Convention's hospital policy. He presented the following recommendations which were adopted:

1. That the Convention approve the San Antonio request, based upon the terms outlined above;

2. That no other branch of the Southern Baptist Hospital shall be established in any city without prior instructions of this Convention.

Relief Outlays At Peak

Progress and growth of relief and annuity funds were described by Thomas J. Watts, Dallas, executive secretary of the board, and Walter R. Alexander, Dallas, associate executive secretary.

In the relief department, \$223,689.30 was received and \$179,094.20 disbursed to aged recipients, the largest disbursement in any one year, they told the body.

Main objective of the board for this year is inauguration of the widows' supplemental annuity plan, Dr. Alexander reported. The plan offers income for the widow of any participating denominational worker who may die before retiring.

Total benefits paid in 1945 under all annuity and relief plans exceeded \$862,000, said Dr. Watts. Total assets of the board are expected to top \$10,000,000 this month he added.

Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, chairman of the committee on statement of principles, read the report to the convention. It was adopted as read.

Order of Life

Dr. Fuller said in his report: "Our distinctive belief is our doctrine of man in the personal order of life, that is, what God says concerning man. Out of this doctrine of the individual grows the Baptist conviction concerning all aspects of religious experience and life. The comprehensive statement of these doctrines is contained in our insistence upon religious liberty. By this, we mean, and must mean, not only freedom of individual worship and fellowship without interference by the state; but we mean also specifically and insistently the right of propaganda through evangelism, education and the development of Christian institutions. This we claim, not as for ourselves, but for all men of religious beliefs and of all theories of social order which are obviously immoral or detrimental to the common welfare of men."

Specially honored by the convention was Dr. Austin Crouch, Nashville minister, author and statesman, who was presented a scroll as a tribute for his "wise and courageous ministry as executive secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention from 1927-1946."

Editor's note: The report was a masterpiece and will be published in full in a later issue.

Sounding a warning against militarism in the United States, Dr. J. M. Dawson of Waco, Texas, told the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami today, "We must preach peace and act it."

Dr. Dawson, chairman of the convention committee on world peace, served as a member of a three-man committee which represented 12,000-000 Baptists at the San Francisco United Nations conference.

He told the delegates, "ultimate se-

curity of the world is not to be found in Moscow's Kremlin, in 10 Downing Street, London, or in the White House."

"It is based on the spiritual attitudes of men. We must preach peace and act it. The Christian program is the only thing which guarantees the peace of the world. This is the atomic age, fraught with infinite hazard, and the problem which looms above all others is the problem of world peace set up on a basis of moral law in behalf of justice, freedom and good will."

In his report, Dr. Dawson said, "Since our nation has undertaken to lead the world into peace according to moral law, it behooves our people to guard well the safety and security of the internal order. We should be Christian enough and brave enough to co-operate toward abolishing militarism from the face of the earth."

As objectives, the report listed democracy, respect of the individual, avoidance of isolationism, an international organization for peace, economic opportunity for all people and religious liberty.

O. K. Armstrong, magazine writer, of Springfield, Mo., and spearhead of a Baptist movement toward achievement of world federation, followed the reading of the world peace committee report with a request that the Southern Baptists indorse the principle of world federation and work toward improving the present United Nations organization for that purpose.

A former Missouri state legislator and secretary of the Baptist committee at the San Francisco UNO conference, Armstrong has been associated with Dr. Dawson on Baptist world peace projects and said he had urged the chairman to include a recommendation for a world federation endorsement in his report.

When it was omitted he offered it in the form of an amendment, stating that the peacemakers' goal of a "world organized on Christian principles of order and justice" can only be accomplished by "some type of world federation."

"I heartily support the report on world peace," Armstrong said. "It commends the present United Nations organization as a step toward world order, and I agree with that. However, I feel we need to work quickly toward world order based upon enforceable law, and the UNO cannot now supply that."

Needs of Mankind

Today's preacher must widen his message to take in all the ills of society, all the needs of mankind, Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, pastor of the Third Baptist Church of St. Louis, told the convention.

"It is the purpose and business of preaching today to widen its sympathies and messages, and through its delivery extend love, until all races and peoples of the earth are included in what is delivered from the pulpit," he declared.

The day of great preaching is not in the past, the St. Louis pastor emphasized. "The church's widening reach through the medium of science is just beginning, for the pulpit has extended itself upon wings to far distant places," he said.

"But be sure that when we have transplanted the preacher that the message also must be transplanted. It is a sad affair when we have gone to the expense of employing the modern, scientific method to have de-

livered the preacher, only to find that after all it was not worth the effort," he warned.

A resolution calling for the termination of the appointment of Myron C. Taylor as presidential representative to the Vatican and recall of the Vatican embassy staff, submitted by Dr. Louie D. Newton, was adopted. It authorized the convention president to seek a conference with President Truman, a Baptist, to personally present the petition.

The resolution said that the Southern Baptist Convention had "repeatedly and earnestly protested the appointment of Taylor to the post since 1940."

The appointment, it further stated, was "without the consent or approval of Congress and is in violation of the first amendment to the constitution and an act of Congress in 1867 forbidding appropriation of money for support of an American legation at Rome."

It said personnel increases to the Vatican embassy staff after the German surrender last spring cost the taxpayers \$40,000 in 1945.

"Be it therefore resolved," the resolution read, "that we do most earnestly and respectfully protest this unauthorized and unfortunate procedure on the part of the government and that we again petition the president to terminate the appointment of Taylor and to call home his staff."

Secretary T. L. Holcomb of the Sunday School Board was in charge of the Sunday School Board report. He presented Harold E. Ingraham, Business Manager of the Board, who spoke concerning R. H. Coleman, Dallas, Texas, and the purchase of his song book business.

Clifton J. Allen, Editorial Secretary of the Board, stressed a new feature of the Board's publication, a periodical for blind people in braille.

Joseph W. Burton presented the work of the new Department of Christian Homes.

J. O. Williams, Secretary of Education and Promotion, spoke concerning his division of work.

G. S. Dobbins of the Louisville Seminary, discussed "The Sunday School Board's Ministry to the Local Church."

Secretary Holcomb announced that Governor R. S. Kerr of Oklahoma City who was to have spoken at this time, was unavoidably detained because of weather conditions.

Reporting for the Education Commission, Dr. Charles D. Johnson, Waco, Texas, presented a seven-point program as follows:

1. Choice faculty of Christian men and women whose scholarship is measured in terms of appropriate advanced degrees and whose teaching ability is verified by successful guidance of students into fields of noble achievement.

2. Select students whose records in standard high schools indicate qualities of leadership.

3. Planned course of study sufficiently comprehensive to include religion, literature, science, and the practical arts. This plan provides for the development of students in theory and practice.

4. Standard libraries in which students have ample opportunity to broaden and deepen their knowledge in their chosen fields of study.

5. Adequate laboratories for scientific courses so that students may be

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equipped for entrance to professional schools.

6. Efficient physical education plan comprehending the buoyant nature of growing bodies and adjusted to the variety of physical and related emotional needs of students.

7. Properly integrated social and religious program as a basis for application of Christian principles.

Discussing this report, Dr. R. Paul Caudill, Memphis, advocated creation of the following three objectives:

(1) Establishment of a denominational graduate school; (2) Construction of a Baptist high school in each of the major cities of the South, and (3) Utilization of Christian education buildings for kindergarten instruction.

Dr. Caudill said he considered it likely that the graduate school would be established at Wake Forest College in North Carolina as that institution was the recent recipient of a \$10,000,000 endowment fund from the Reynolds Foundation.

\$10,896 For Relief

At this time it was announced that the special offering for world emergency relief taken on Thursday night amounted to \$10,896.

Raising the educational level of the negro minister as one solution to racial problems was advocated in a talk by Dr. T. M. Maston, professor at the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, speaking to the report of the Committee on Negro Ministerial Education, which was read by Dr. T. F. Adams of Richmond.

Training Attacked

Negro ministerial students of the South must go north to get instruction comparable to that offered white students in Southern seminaries, Dr. Maston said.

"If we're not careful, we will let inter-denominational groups such as the Roman Catholic church and organized labor out-manuever us in our relations with the colored race," he warned.

Earlier, Dr. T. F. Adams, Richmond, Va., said in a report on negro ministerial education that approximately 90 per cent of the 24,000 negro Baptist ministers have nothing more than an elementary school education.

The only negro speaker of the convention, Dr. Ralph Waldo Riley, president of the American Baptist Theological Seminary in Nashville, said the principal need was for housing for teachers and pupils. The institution must hire only single men for teachers who can sleep in dormitories, he said.

A committee of nine was appointed to study the whole race situation and to consider the "responsibility of Baptists in the problem."

The Convention also voted to insist that the United States Department of State seek inclusion of adequate safeguards of religious liberty in treaties of peace with Italy, Roumania and Hungary.

In reporting for the Baptist papers, Rev. C. E. Bryant, editor of the Arkansas Baptist and president of the Southern Baptist Press Association stressed the fact that success of the vastly enlarged program Southern Baptists plan for the post-war years will be largely dependent upon the state Baptist papers.

People Cannot Love A Cause They Do Not Know

"Our people cannot love a cause

they do not know, and they cannot support a cause they do not both know and love. The challenges and the plans and the accomplishments of these years immediately ahead must be heralded through these papers to every hearthside in the Convention territory."

Reporting on the Baptist papers circulation campaign, Dr. Louie D. Newton told the Convention that since the beginning of the campaign in 1940 the circulation of the state papers had increased from 190,683 to 633,792 as of April first.

The editors of the state papers were introduced to the convention as each one announced his circulation. Circulation figures as of April first were given as follows:

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| The Alabama Baptist | 31,635 |
| Arizona Baptist Beacon | 2,273 |
| The Arkansas Baptist | 27,700 |
| California Southern Baptist | 2,000 |
| District of Columbia Baptist | 5,000 |
| Florida Baptist Witness | 20,000 |
| The Christian Index | 36,500 |
| The Illinois Baptist | 8,500 |
| Western Recorder | 45,337 |
| The Baptist Message | 28,200 |
| The Maryland Baptist | 2,000 |
| THE BAPTIST RECORD | 52,299 |
| The Word and Way | 25,000 |
| The Baptist New Mexican | 7,661 |
| Biblical Recorder | 36,521 |
| Baptist Messenger | 39,500 |
| Baptist Courier | 42,300 |
| Baptist and Reflector | 40,500 |
| The Baptist Standard | 167,566 |
| The Religious Herald | 13,300 |

633,792

The Thursday night meeting was dedicated to Foreign Missions under the direction of Executive Secretary M. T. Rankin, Richmond. After the introduction of the foreign missionaries at home on furlough and those recently appointed the topic "Many Adversaries" was discussed by Dr. George W. Sadler, Secretary for Europe, Africa and the Near East. Among the adversaries named were:

1. Secularism.
2. The Aftermath of War.
3. The Roman Catholic Organization.
4. Mohammedanism.
5. Communism.

Dr. B. J. Cauthen, Secretary for the Orient, spoke on "Now is the Time". He stressed the fact that the remarkable extension of Christianity in the days of the Apostles was accomplished largely because of the sense of urgency which prevailed. Continuing he said, "The same sense of urgency faces us as we face today's world. Now is the time when we can under God give Christ's message to the world."

In closing the Foreign Mission report, Dr. M. T. Rankin challenged the crowd of more than 10,000 with the question "Why So Little From So Many?"

In stressing the urgency of greater support for Foreign Missions, Dr. Rankin cited the following facts from the report of the Foreign Mission Board.

The achievements of world missions are indestructible. The light of abundant evidence from China, Japan and Europe has already been thrown upon this fact. Within a few weeks after the surrender of Japan, missionaries of our Board were back in the areas of China that had been held by Japan. They are now in every section of the country in which our Board had operated.

In the years from 1943 to 1945, the Foreign Mission Board appointed one hundred new volunteers. Plans are under way to appoint sixty others in 1946. It is expected that within the present year

the entire staff of missionaries will be on their fields of work.

Total receipts for foreign missions in 1945 reached an all-time high figure of \$3,592,000. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering began the year on an ever higher level than heretofore with total contributions of approximately \$1,200,000.

In addition to providing for its annual over-all budget of \$3,000,000, the Foreign Mission Board has been able to set aside from current funds approximately \$2,700,000 against a total of \$7,000,000, which will be needed over-and-above the current annual budget to rehabilitate and enlarge our world-wide missionary undertaking.

The second fact that stands out clear and strong against the background of war's destruction is that Southern Baptists must do far more to help save the world than we have been doing. In the light of the world's urgent need, the Foreign Mission Board's present program with 550 missionaries can be seen in its tragic smallness. If the world was ever in need of Christ, it is now. If suffering humanity ever needed the help of five and a half million Southern Baptists, with all their resources, it is now.

Appointment of missionaries will be increased as rapidly as our financial income and the supply of suitable volunteers permit. We hope to increase the number of appointees in 1947 to a minimum of 75.

World Relief

Through the World Emergency Committee of the Foreign Mission Board, Southern Baptists have contributed for relief of destitute people a total of \$1,127,000 in the years 1942-1945. Of this amount, \$234,608 was given in 1945. In the distribution of these funds, priority has been given to needs in areas where the Foreign Mission Board has missionary work.

Our Mission Fields

We are giving here a list of the mission fields in which our Foreign Mission Board is operating together with the date of entrance: China (1845), Africa, (1850), Italy (1870), Mexico (1880), Brazil (1881), Japan (1890), Argentina (1903), Uruguay (1911), Chile (1917), Syria (1920), Palestine (1920), Spain (1921), Yugoslavia (1921), Hungary (1921), Rumania (1921), Ukraine (1921), Hawaii (1940), Colombia (1941), and Paraguay (1946).

Vote After Midnight

Proving that Baptists really believe in democracy, at the conclusion of the Foreign Mission Program at about eleven o'clock on Thursday night, messengers refused to accept a suggestion that a simple plurality be sufficient to elect. Despite the fact they had been in their seats from 7:30 p. m., they stayed with the voting until after midnight, when Dr. Newton's selection was announced.

Six candidates were nominated, all with long and glowing oratory, and because ballots had to be distributed to only official delegates among the vast throng in the park, the paper work connected with the election was a big factor.

On the first ballot, Newton received 1,340 votes, short of the 1,629 needed for a majority. There were 3,257 votes cast. He and the Rev. Robert G. Lee, Memphis, who was second, were then placed on another ballot.

The other nominees were Dr. W. R. White, Austin, Texas; Dr. John Dean Crain, South Carolina; Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, Louisville, Ky., and Dr. Frank Tripp, Montgomery, Ala.

Other Officers

Other new officers are Dr. C. Roy Angell, pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Miami, first vice-president; Dr. R. C. Campbell, Columbia, S. C., second vice-president; Porter Routh, Nashville, Tenn., secretary, and Joe

E. Barton, Nashville, assistant secretary.

Although Newton's name had been the most prominently mentioned as the probable new president of the conference, the Baptists take their voting seriously and Newton was chosen only after two ballots.

Urge Ban On Conscription

Abolition of peacetime conscription was proposed by the social service commission under the chairmanship of Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon of Louisville, Ky. The report called upon the president, Congress and United States delegates to the United Nations organization to combat militarism everywhere.

Moral and social conditions prevailing in U. S. military camps in Europe and Asia were attacked as "disgraceful" in a resolution calling for steps to "maintain decency of conduct among officers and enlisted men overseas."

Reports of conduct reaching home have been such as to bring "fear and grief to the hearts of parents who have given their sons to the service," the resolution pointed out.

The Rev. John W. Hughston, Jr., Richmond, Va., was the author of a measure which would authorize a committee of seven to examine religious training activities with a view toward eliminating overlapping functions.

At least three organizations, the Baptist Training Union, the Women's Missionary Union and the Sunday School board all have educators.

Mississippian Is Alternate

St. Louis was chosen as site of the 1947 convention, scheduled for May 14-18. Dr. W. A. Criswell, Dallas, was chosen to deliver next year's convention sermon with Dr. Claud B. Bowen, Jackson, Miss., as alternate.

Voicing full-throated approval of a vigorous, crusading program, Convention messengers on Friday unanimously voted:

TO INVESTIGATE, list and publicize all proposals now before Congress, all executive actions, orders or directives now in effect that "violate the letter and spirit of the Constitution and laws of the United States respecting separation of church and state and religious freedom."

TO CONDUCT an all-out campaign against alcoholism and the liquor traffic; to co-operate with the National Temperance and Prohibition Council in a program to eventually eradicate the liquor traffic, to institute a program of temperance education.

Mississippians named on Boards and Committees are as follows: Charles Bobo and Dr. Ira B. Seale, Executive Committee, Baptist Brotherhood of the South; Harry T. Smallwood, State Representative, Baptist Brotherhood; Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Committee on Order of Business; Dr. Claud Bowen, Radio Committee; Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, W. M. U. work; Dr. J. L. Boyd, Baptist History; Rev. A. L. Goodrich, Baptist Papers; Dr. Norman Cox, Committee on Boards; Dr. D. A. McCall, Committee on Calendar of Coordinated Denominational Activities; Dr. D. A. McCall, Committee on Chaplains; Dr. James L. Sullivan, Committee on Evangelism.

Dr. E. P. Alldredge, Nashville, presented the report of the American Baptist Theological Seminary, to which its president, Rev. Ralph W. Riley spoke.

Dr. J. Wash Watts presented the (Continued On Page Seven)

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tian Literature. His opening sentence caught the attention of all present, "I speak for the one billion, three hundred million who cannot speak for themselves". His deep interest is in education—education of the heart. He gave two basic reasons for teaching these three out of every five in the human race to read.

1. People must learn to read because God has sent His letter from heaven and people need to be able to read.
2. Teaching people to read opens a wonderful way to lead them to Christ.

He told of his travels and missionary service—he gave many illustrations of how every country that is behind in literacy is determined to catch up. It is a movement you can't stop. He quoted Stanley E. Jones who recently said that in times past it has been the most ignorant peoples who have been afraid—now it is the most intelligent who are afraid.

Dr. Laubach said this movement needs three things:

1. Hope—lies in Jesus Christ.
2. A Plan—this has been worked out by great Evangelical bodies.
3. Something everybody can do.

He gave us ten very practical needed things we can do.

1. Pray—pray for political leaders, national leaders because they need God.
2. Buy a Globe—study it, pray for it, become larger in mind and heart.
3. Educate your community to the global view.
4. Inspire your youth.
5. Write to your senators and representatives and tell them you are praying for them, then do it! Call on them to pray.
6. Give the value of a war bond for some mission work outside the United States.
7. Help the "Cihu" attitude. "Can I Help You"?
9. Discover in yourself some special gift and give it to the people around you.
10. Work with existing organizations.

Gains in 1945

The Monday morning session was given largely to a reporting of the work in 1945. Miss Kathleen Mallory told of the gain of 1560 in organizations and 20,000 members.

Mrs. Cox, the Treasurer, reported total gifts of the Woman's Missionary Union in 1945—\$6,517,321.00.

Mrs. Hickerson, Southwide Stewardship Chairman, brought a special challenge to all to work toward the goal of 333,334 tithers! She presented Dr. Duke McCall, newly elected Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. McCall spoke of the recurring number 8—the octave, the spectrum, the atom. He spoke of the figure 10 in connection with God's plan in giving and of the figure 7 in our stewardship of time. The figure 1 is the only figure used in the stewardship of life—"Love the Lord with all thy might, soul and body." When talking about the stewardship of life there can be no division—Jesus said "No man can serve two masters".

Home Missions Presented

The entire membership of the Seminole Indian Church at Diana was presented. They sang a number of hymns and their pastor, Rev. Stanley

Smith, a Creek Indian from Oklahoma, spoke of the work. There were 9 converts when he came to the field and in the last 18 months the Lord has given him 130 souls for his "hire". The Home Mission Board asked Seminoles to take a goal of 50 to win during the Centennial Crusade—the Indians (after prayer and thought) decided to raise that goal to 75! There were 95 Seminole Indians won to Christ in 1945!

Miss Nannie Burroughs, Corresponding Secretary, Woman's Auxiliary, National Baptist Convention, spoke of the cooperative work of white and negro women. She told of the phenomenal progress of the past 10 years, however it is "the petty done and the vast undone". She said the greatest business of this hour is to discover young negro men and women to train for Christian leadership.

"I Saw Missions There"

Dr. Alfred Carpenter of our Home Mission Board was selected by Chief of Staff of Navy and Army Chaplains to make a global trip, visiting the Chaplains in many countries! He told in impassioned manner of the missionary emergency and the missionary tragedy that he saw. Open doors—no one to enter! Military personnel wanting to build chapels if we would only furnish the preachers! He helped us see the deep, dire need for the gospel and our inability to meet that need.

Horse and Buggy Witness

Dr. B. J. Cauthen, Secretary to the Orient, spoke on "World Missions in a New Century". We have come to the atomic age with a horse and buggy witness, said Dr. Cauthen. It takes 10,000 Southern Baptists to send one missionary. It takes 50 Southern Baptist Churches to have one missionary. What more can we expect when Southern Baptists gave only 65c per capita for world wide causes in 1945! There are 50 ways of putting out a fire but closing your eyes to it is not one of these ways. We must face the facts. Dr. Cauthen called on us to lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes.

President Baptist World Alliance Speaks

Dr. J. H. Rushbrook called on Christians to out-think, out-live, and out-die the foes of Christianity. He quoted John Clifford, first President of the Baptist World Alliance, who said "God doesn't want any man to come into the Kingdom and leave his head outside." We can learn many things from the Communists! Communism has

- (1) Lifted people out of themselves and given them a "cause".
- (2) Given people a philosophy of life.
- (3) Leads people to be zealous and uncompromising in working toward the end.

We must out-live and out-think these foes of Christianity.

New Appointee Heard

Miss Mary Ellen Wooten, teacher in the Woman's Missionary Union Training School and a recent appointee for mission work in Nigeria, Africa, reminded us that "For one who says 'Speak, Lord,' for they servant hear-eth there are 100 who say 'Listen, Lord, for thy servant speaketh'".

Closing Session—Young People's Session

The choir of the School of Church Music of the Southern Baptist Seminary had charge of the meditation and worship period.

The Sunbeam Sixtieth Anniversary

SIGNIFICANT SESSION OF SBC MEETS IN MIAMI

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report of the Baptist Bible Institute, on which Dr. P. H. Anderson spoke. The report carried the recommendation that the name of the Bible Institute be changed to the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. This was adopted.

Dr. E. D. Head presented the report of Southwestern Seminary. Dr. Kearnie Keegan announced that \$755,884 had been raised during the Victory Campaign, with which to erect a memorial building in honor of President L. R. Scarborough and Dr. George W. Truett.

Retiring President Duke K. McCall of the Baptist Bible Institute presented the newly elected president of that institution. Dr. Leavell is a Mississippian and pastor of the First Baptist Church, Tampa, Florida.

Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, presented the report of that institution and made an address.

The closing address speaking for all the seminaries was made by Dr. E. D. Head, president of Southwestern Seminary. His subject was "Widening Reach and Enlightened Power".

The Friday evening session of the Convention was Home Mission night and was under the direction of Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Executive Secretary of the Home Mission Board. After presenting various phases of the work, Dr. Lawrence spoke on "Widening Reach and Heightened Power in Home Missions." He declared that the work of the Home Mission Board had been outstanding during the past century.

"The Board now comes to the new century with hope, courage and experience. It comes with the determination to meet the ever-enlarging fields of service.

"To evangelize the homeland means to bring the civilization of our land under the sovereignty of Christ . . . and to transfuse all the life forces of the homeland with the spiritual potencies of the Kingdom of God".

Dr. Lawrence said that: The Home Mission Board has ambitious plans for the coming century; the Board is a missionary board, a board of survey; a unifying agency for Southern Baptists and a connectional board. He stated that in the future Home Missions will be more necessary and important than in the world of yesterday. The reasons named were: (1) Our homeland will be more influential and powerful; (2) Conditions of travel and communication will make America known to all nations; (3) We will

celebration was participated in by Sunbeams of many nationalities as well as many grown-up Sunbeams. Among these were Dr. R. G. Lee and Miss Martha Linda Franks.

Girls' Auxiliary members presented their aims. Sixty Royal Ambassadors introduced the new magazine "Ambassador Life".

There was a beautiful large world globe from the Pan American Airways that was placed on an elevated platform in the baptistry—this was a constant challenge to the delegates. Dr. Cornell Gorner, Professor of Missions at Southern Baptist Seminary, brought the closing address, "O Zion Haste". He sought to awake us from our lethargy and apathy. He reminded us of the urgency of the need and we must meet it in haste.



PROF. C. K. DEJANG

Professor C. K. Djang, dean of students, and Dr. J. B. Hipps, head of the Department of Religion, University of Shanghai, were photographed in one of the offices of the True Light Building in downtown Shanghai in February.

A native of Spring Creek, North Carolina, appointed as a missionary in 1913, Dr. Hipps has served the university for more than thirty years. Mr. Djang did graduate work in the United States. The University opened its 1945-46 session with an enrollment of 456 students in the middle school and 866 in the college. Acting president until July is Henry Ling, formerly dean of the school of commerce of the Shanghai University in Chungking.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

May 19, 1946

| | S.S. | BTU |
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| Jackson, Northside | 205 | 77 |
| Jackson, Griffith Memorial | 573 | 225 |
| Jackson, Calvary | 1,191 | 252 |
| Jackson, Calvary, including Stone St. Mission | 1,248 | |
| Sturgis | 48 | 20 |
| Meridian, 15th Avenue | 423 | 41 |
| Harmony, Tippah County | 64 | |
| Providence, Lauderdale County | 33 | |
| West Point | 342 | 60 |
| Louisville | 231 | 88 |
| Louin | 67 | |
| New Albany, First | 480 | 194 |
| Vicksburg, First | 468 | 162 |
| Laurel, First | 619 | 126 |
| Ecorse | 117 | 35 |
| Houlka, Chickasaw County | 60 | 32 |
| Bethel, Rankin County | 50 | 35 |
| Pascagoula, First | 521 | 84 |
| Boneville | 145 | 54 |
| Centerville | 134 | |
| West Laurel | 431 | 91 |
| Carmel, Lawrence County | 106 | 98 |
| Picayune, First | 324 | 60 |
| Picayune Mission | 12 | |
| Batesville | 114 | |
| Ackerman | 150 | |
| Newton | 293 | |
| Crystal Springs | 415 | 82 |
| Philadelphia, Lincoln County | 48 | 60 |
| Byrna, Hinds County | 67 | 65 |
| Brookhaven, First | 600 | 121 |
| Wellman, Lincoln County | 42 | 75 |
| Center, Union County | 127 | 51 |
| Jackson, Parkway | 474 | 113 |
| Summit | 139 | 104 |

May 12, 1946

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| Hattiesburg, Main Street | 354 | 237 |
| East McComb | 132 | 139 |
| Harrisburg, Tupelo | 218 | 80 |
| Rocky Point, Leake County | 36 | |

face race relations; (4) We need to Christianize the great horde of commercial travelers our country will send to all the world; (5) We cannot give what we do not have and we cannot keep on giving away what we do not keep on having; (6) In the world of tomorrow the nations will be neighbors.

Editor's note: Miami is a long way from Jackson. It takes time to get a report from Miami to Jackson. A report on the Saturday and Sunday program will appear in next week's issue.

WHAT WE HAVE---

PLACE—Seeing faith's beginning the Board of Trustees of Mississippi College has given to the Woman's Missionary Union of Mississippi a beautiful 40 acre tract of land for this purpose. This gift was ratified by the Mississippi Baptist Convention in session last November. This property located 1½ miles from Clinton and is completely removed from outside distractions. It is heavily wooded, ideally situated and altogether adequate for this purpose.

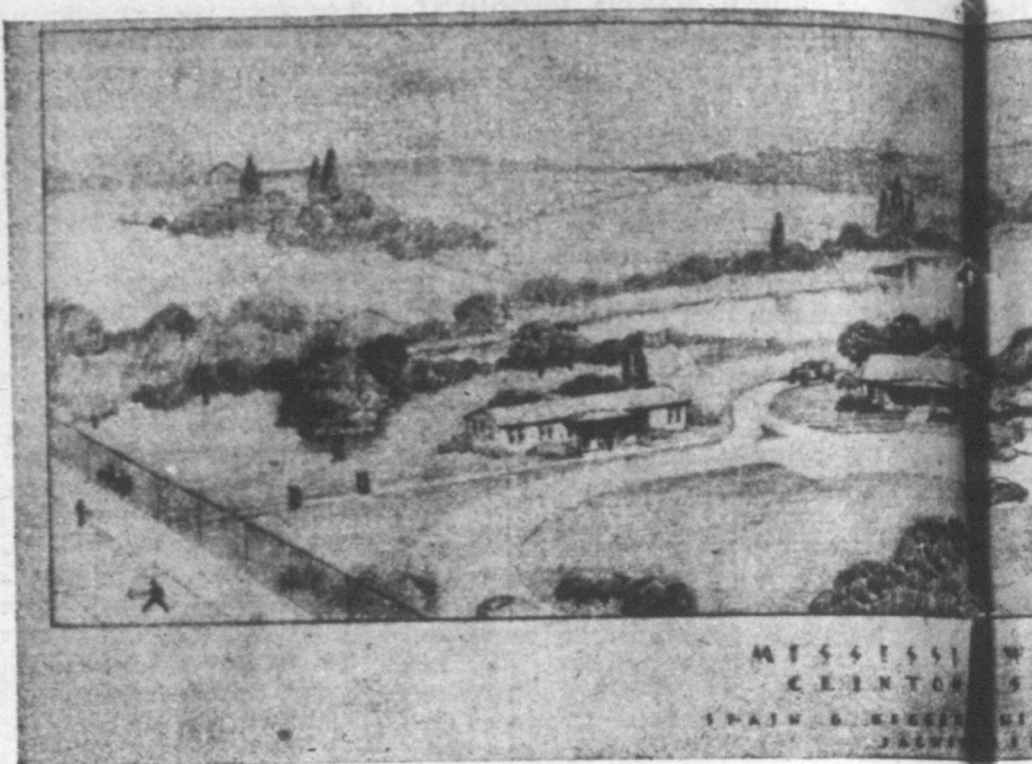
PERMIT—Yes, The Civilian Production Administration has granted us a permit to build. So construction can be continued.

CASH—\$44,000 cash! Thirty-seven thousand of this has come from the "over and above" gifts of our State Mission Season of Prayer, for the last three years. The other has come, unsolicited from individuals or groups, designated for this purpose.

EQUIPMENT—We have our stove, cooking utensils, all dishes, refrigerators, electric dish washer, 79 double bunks, mattresses, pillows, blankets, piano and many other smaller items.

BUILDING MATERIAL—Three car loads of lumber on the ground, other lumber purchased, large amount plumbing supplies already purchased.

PROGRESS—The deep-well is almost finished, the permanent road to the property has been graded and will soon be completed.



What We

AT A MEETING DURING THE CONVENTION,
ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS, THE FOLLOWING

| | |
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| District 1 |\$20,000 |
| District 2 |10,000 |
| District 3 |3,000 |
| District 4 |5,000 |

Preachers Are Grateful For Preacher's School Benefits

Those attending the recent two weeks session of the Preacher's School at Mississippi College feel grateful to Dr. McCall, the State Mission Board and Mississippi College for the privileges and courtesies which they enjoyed.

Rev. Raymond Herrington, secretary of the Preacher's group has written to Dr. McCall as follows:

Dear Dr. McCall:

We, the members of the Preacher's School, wish to express to you and the State Mission Board our thanks for the many opportunities that have been ours to enjoy for the past two weeks at Mississippi College.

We also wish to express our appreciation for the very able faculty that you secured for us during this school.

We are indeed grateful to State Missions and to Mississippi College for the entertainment that has been provided for us.

We trust that this part of State Mission work may continue.

Yours in His service,

L. D. SELLERS, President,
RAYMOND HERRINGTON, Secty.
J. L. COURSON, H. H. BASS, W.
NEAL BROWNING, H. B. ROANE,
HENRY C. WALKER, P. N. HARLAN,
G. T. DUKE, C. T. SCHMITZ,
J. C. ALLEN, A. C. JOHNSON,
F. L. COKER.

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (SBPA)—The Alaska Baptist Convention, organized by churches started by Southern Baptist chaplains and pastors scarcely three years ago, will petition the Southern Baptist Convention to meet in Miami, Florida, May 14, for affiliating membership, according to Rev. William A. Petty, president of the Baptist College of Alaska and editor of the "Alaska Baptist Messenger." Dr. J. T. Spurlin, pastor of the Juneau Baptist Church, is president of the new convention. Other officers are Rev. Odel Lane, Anchorage, vice-president; Rev. C. O. Duncan, Fairbanks, recording secretary; Rev. Felton Griffin, Anchorage, executive secretary; and W. A. Petty, editor of the Alaska Baptist Messenger.

Governor Robert S. Kerr, of Oklahoma, has spoken these brave and true words: "The liquor interests claim that more liquor is consumed in prohibition states than in wet states. They are either lying or are crazy or

both. If dry states are consuming more liquor than wet states, why are the liquor interests spending millions of dollars trying to make dry states wet?"—Watchman Examiner.

Concerning the book **FLASHES ALONG THE BURMA ROAD**, Dr. Francis C. Stfler, Secretary of the American Bible Society writes: "Now that Burma is becoming an important place in everybody's world I welcome this book that points so convincingly to the fact that Christian Missions really opened Burma." These stories come straight out of the heart of Burma and should thrill and challenge the reader. The author, Dr. Harry I. Marshall, has lived and labored among these people, and he writes out of a rich experience. Dr. E. Stanley Jones says that these stories will send us to our knees. The book sells for \$2.50 and is published by the Island Workshop Press, 470 West 24th Street, New York 11, N. Y.

Mississippi At Southwestern Elect Officers

The Mississippi Club of Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth has selected the following officers for the school year 1946-47. President, Wm. Ferguson Garner, Holcomb; vice-president, C. L. Boland, Pontotoc; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Thomas Parker, Biloxi; reporter, Rupert Ring-

old, Winona; publicity chairman, Mrs. R. L. Herring, Jr., Royalty, Texas; faculty sponsor, Dr. R. T. Daniel, professor of Old Testament.

The club has been active and has excellent programs. The officers listed above were elected at the annual picnic of the group.

KEEPING THE FOUNDATIONS—Dr. R. C. Campbell, pastor of the First Church, Columbia, S. C., is the author of the book "Keeping the Foundations." The book "are an outgrowth of the author's study of the founders and of the fundamental principles, sacrifice, phenomenal growth and development of our Southern Baptist organization. Reading these sermons should cause every Baptist to be proud of the past and hopeful for the future. Published by the Broadman Press, the book sells for \$1.25. Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store. On the afternoon of May 12, Sarepta Church, Franklin County, which N. W. Carpenter, Jr., is pastored, heard the message delivered by one of its own young men, J. L. Strittman, whom they had licensed to preach April 14, 1946. Brother Strittman, who served in the Medical Corps of the Army during the war, reports many interesting experiences which he had while assisting the Chaplain in religious services on Okinawa. It was during this period of his military service that the pastor received several letters from him relating the work being done by the Servicemen's Christian League, of which he was a member. Since his return home he has been faithful in the support of the church and its program. He will enter Mississippi College in June and prepare for the work where he has been called.



We Promised---

THE CONVEN, OF DISTRICT AND
THE FOLLOWING GOALS WERE ACCEPTED:

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|\$20,000 District 5 | 3,000 |
|10,000 District 6 | 8,000 |
|3,000 District 7 | 10,000 |
|5,000 District 8 | 8,000 |

THE FOUNDATIONS Scouts Clear Picnic Grounds At Clarke College

BY DR. W. E. GREENE

Several Boy Scouts came to the Clarke College campus and cleared a park area so we could have a place for picnics. A large group came from Scout Troops No. 38 and No. 48 from Laurel and Troop No. 22 from Newton. These boys did a mighty fine service and we wanted the Mississippi Baptists to know about it. After they had finished their work we had a little prayer meeting and definite prayer was offered and explanation made to those who were not saved as to how they might be saved. The Scoutmasters are Christians and doing might good work. This is a fine example for other Scout troops. Below we list the names of the Scouts and the troops they represent: Troop No. 38, Laurel—Scoutmaster: J. E. Sicey, Buddy Davis, Billy Cain, William Parker, Robert Jones, Jr., Charles Taylor, Henry Ray Woods, Kenneth Weems, Walter Cade, Raymond Goodman, Leonard Lowe, Jack Touchstone, Lester Quinn, Jansen Crowe, Bobby Joe Sims, Roy Walley, Jimmy Dicey, Jr., John Mathis. Troop No. 40, Laurel—Charles Walters, Kimble Nix, Jack Bachum. Troop No. 22, Newton—Scoutmaster, Artis Brewer; Paul Boltner, Ernest Pinson, Sam Wolfe, Billy Joe Whatley, Billy Dugard, Jimmy Sanders and William Earl Greene, Jr.

SEMINARY CHOIR BEGINS FIRST ANNUAL TOUR

Louisville, Ky., April 26—The choir of the School of Church Music of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, will leave here May 7 on its first annual tour, en route to Miami, Fla., where the group will appear on the programs of the annual convention of the Woman's Missionary Union, May 14, and the Southern Baptist Convention, May 15-19. The forty-voice choir, directed by Donald Winters, is in its first year, having been organized last fall. In addition to the appearances at the conventions, the choir will fill a number of engagements to and from Miami. Concerts scheduled, all to be given at 8 p. m., are:

- May 7, First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn.
- May 8, First Baptist Church, Rome, Ga.
- May 9, First Baptist Church, Griffin, Ga.
- May 10, First Baptist Church, Americus, Ga.
- May 11, First Baptist Church, Valdosta, Ga.
- May 12, First Baptist Church, Tallahassee, Fla.
- May 13, First Baptist Church, Ocala, Fla.
- May 19, First Baptist Church, West Palm Beach, Fla.
- May 20, Riverside Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Fla.
- May 21, First Baptist Church, Ma-

WHAT WE NEED---

The immediate need is for sufficient funds to complete the basic buildings. The following recommendations were presented and approved at the recent W. M. U. Convention:

1. That we enter a financial campaign to raise \$50,000 to complete the present camp building fund.
2. That May 27th be set as Camp Building Fund Day (it might be that you prefer to designate the first or second week in June as the day in your Society or Church) and that all Societies have a special program of prayer and gifts. We urge that all gifts be sent in not later than July 10th.

Mrs. J. A. Anderson, Chairman,
Mrs. Webb Brame,
Miss Edwina Robinson,
Mr. D. C. Simmons.

Many of the districts have already had meetings with the associational and local officers and have worked out associational goals, as well as local goals. It is the hope of our Building Committee and Executive Board that many pastors will feel led to present this matter to the entire church, giving everybody an opportunity to share in providing this camp, that is to be used by adults, as well as young people!

Bible Department Changed To School Of Religion At Wake Forest College

The trustees of Wake Forest College, North Carolina, at their recent meeting established a School of Religion to take the place of the Bible department.

For two years the trustees of the college had been studying the matter and the opinion that the Bible department should be changed into a School of Religion gradually crystallized.

Not only did the trustees provide for the school but elected a strong faculty selected because of their proved scholarship and soundness in faith. Dr. Sankey L. Blanton, pastor of the First Church of Wilmington, was elected dean. Other faculty members are: Dr. John Allen Easley of the college Bible department; Dr. Owen F. Herring, pastor of Watts Street Baptist Church, Durham; and Rev. Marc Hoyle Lovelace who received his doctor's degree from the Southern Baptist Seminary in May.

Thus the great step has been taken and the problem of ministerial education on the Atlantic seaboard has been solved. It will no longer be necessary

- con, Ga.
- May 22, First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.
- May 23, Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn.

Literary Contest Winners Announced

Blue Mountain, Miss., May 3—In the annual literary contest sponsored by the Scribblers Club of Blue Mountain College, the following students were winners:

A. T. Robertson Religious Essay Award: First place—"Treasures of Darkness"—Ruth Gamble, Memphis; second place—"Remember Lot's Wife"—Ruth Gamble; third place—"Peace and Christianity"—Betty Titsworth, Paris, Arkansas.

Stark Young Essay Award: First place—"To You, Emil"—Norma Jean John, Jefferson City, Missouri; second place—"Promoting International Appreciation of Cultures"—Ruth Sterling, Jackson, Mississippi; third place—"General Store"—Jean Anderson, Collierville, Tennessee.

John Gould Fletcher Poetry Award: First place—"Song of the Snowflakes"—Joyce Bolton, Henderson, Tennessee; second place—"Moon Ring"—Dorothy Harris, Memphis, Tennessee; third place—"Unrest"—Betty Titsworth.

Edgar Allen Poe Short Story Award: First place—"Cathy and the Wondrous Fair Lady"—Joyce Bolton; second place—"The Outlaws"—Joyce Bolton; third place—"Calm"—Betty Titsworth.

The awards were made by Dr. Ernest H. Cox, dean of the college and faculty adviser for the club.

for men and women of this section of the Southern Baptist Convention territory to travel long distances to some far away seminary.

25 Years Ago

BY REV. R. E. EDDLEMAN

The Lucien church will be assisted in a meeting beginning the second Sunday in July by the former pastor, J. A. Barnhill.

Pastor C. E. Bass counted his folks recently at church at Summerland. Membership resident, 130; present on Saturday 70; and on Sunday 90; which is 54 and 70 percent respectively.

Dr. W. O. Carver of the Southern Seminary is to be one of the lecturers at the school of Evangelism at Clinton May 29th to June 3rd. His subject will take up the work of Peter, Philip and Paul.

Pastor T. L. Halcomb has resigned at Columbia to accept a call to Sherman, Texas. The whole state will regret to give him up. He has done a great work at Columbia, Pontotoc and other fields.

Davis Memorial church in Jackson over subscribed its quota in the campaign and have paid every cent due up to date. Pastor Madison Flowers has a faithful band, including the Orphanage.

Brother J. E. Wills of Louisville was on the same Sunday called to the Main Street, Hattiesburg Church and to Winona.

Prof. D. M. Nelson of Mississippi College was recently elected by the Mississippi Baptist Education Commission as executive secretary of that body and will probably assume the responsibility of the office at an early date. Prof. Nelson is a native of Tallahatchie County, an Alumnus of Mississippi College, practiced law at Brookhaven, taught in high schools, and has been for several years at the head of the department of Physics in Mississippi College. He likes only a little of the work for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, having studied several semesters at the University of Chicago, and the University of Indiana. He is a fine Christian gentleman, with high ideals, sympathy with educational programs, ambitious for Christian education and a good speaker. If he accepts, his work will mightily set forward the work of education in our state.

The foundation work underlying all our other work, making it permanent and joyous is the circulation of the Baptist Record. The man who cannot see this and does not realize it is "blind and cannot see afar off." Now is the time to put the paper in all of the homes. The best way is the budget way. In this Mississippi leads all the states. But if we expect to continue to lead we must go forward. We cannot do it and stand still. Are your people a reading people? Do they know where their money is going and what it is doing? Do they know what is included in our Baptist budget of work; or are the terms which they hear occasionally in the pulpit all Dutch to them? All Baptists in Mississippi need the Baptist Record and will never make full proof of their ministry till they are reading it.—Editor.

Rev. M. C. Vick received a cordial welcome as pastor of the First Baptist Church at Clarksdale. A great congregation listened with deep interest to his first sermon last Sunday morning—and at the night service the other churches giving way—the curtains separating the Sunday School department was raised. Five additions to the church. That church knows how to treat a preacher.

Despite the ravages of war Baptists of Europe and England have not gone into cold storage.—Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke.

Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience.—George Washington.

COMPARATIVE RETIREMENT MEMBERSHIP STATUS BY STATES
INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP

| Ministers Retirement Plan | Members | | | Churches | | |
|---------------------------|---------|--------|----------|----------|--------|----------|
| | 1-1-45 | 1-1-46 | Increase | 1-1-45 | 1-1-46 | Increase |
| Alabama | 480 | 531 | 51 | 738 | 785 | 47 |
| Arkansas | 427 | 469 | 42 | 514 | 544 | 30 |
| Arizona | 10 | 23 | 13 | 7 | 14 | 7 |
| California | 19 | 29 | 10 | 18 | 26 | 8 |
| District of Columbia | 26 | 28 | 2 | 20 | 21 | 1 |
| Florida | 424 | 477 | 53 | 451 | 474 | 23 |
| Georgia | 746 | 803 | 57 | 1,243 | 1,320 | 77 |
| Illinois | 223 | 243 | 11 | 293 | 300 | 7 |
| Kentucky | 500 | 552 | 52 | 595 | 628 | 33 |
| Louisiana | 376 | 436 | 60 | 409 | 448 | 39 |
| Maryland | 78 | 82 | 4 | 78 | 81 | 3 |
| Mississippi | 339 | 374 | 35 | 556 | 598 | 42 |
| Missouri | 653 | 696 | 43 | 809 | 853 | 44 |
| New Mexico | 111 | 124 | 13 | 99 | 103 | 4 |
| North Carolina | 522 | 584 | 62 | 688 | 729 | 41 |
| Oklahoma | 572 | 624 | 52 | 508 | 542 | 34 |
| South Carolina | 533 | 576 | 43 | 758 | 789 | 31 |
| Tennessee | 619 | 656 | 37 | 849 | 884 | 35 |
| Texas | 1,580 | 1,706 | 126 | 1,769 | 1,869 | 100 |
| Virginia | 495 | 540 | 45 | 824 | 853 | 29 |
| TOTALS | 8,733 | 9,544 | 811 | 11,226 | 11,861 | 635 |

From this recently released listing by the Dallas office we see that Mississippi is not quite average in participation in the Ministers Retirement Plan, particularly on the part of pastors. The work of participation is better on the part of the churches.

Dr. Watts, southwide secretary, has visited the state in the interest of this plan! Dr. Hasty from the southwide office made a swing over Mississippi in the interest of this plan. Brother Joe Olander has made two or three tours over the state in projecting the plan. Literature setting forth the terms of the plan has been repeatedly sent to both pastors and churches! The plan has been discussed with individuals, in associations, in conferences and conventions, by your Executive Secretary, leading pastors and leading laymen.

Many of our pastors and many of our laymen are intensely interested in the real worth and the intensive promotion of the Ministers Retirement Plan for both pastors and churches!

The above table shows a substantial growth in participation on the part of both pastors and churches for 1946 over 1945. Yet, many of our pastors and many of our churches remain outside the Ministers Retirement Plan.

Deacons, Sunday School Superintendents and others should see that the pastor in each church has abundant opportunity to come into this plan. It may be too late some day when he faces retirement!

We will be happy to send literature explaining details of the plan and to forward application blanks upon request.

We will be happy to get some pastor or layman who understands the plan to visit your church that the plan may be explained to your church. We will be glad to do this from this office as time permits.

Let us hear from you.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION BOARD

D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary

DEPARTMENT OF MINISTERS RETIREMENT

Baptist Building - - - - Jackson, Mississippi

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BAPTIST LEADERS URGES
DISESTABLISHMENT OF
ANGLICAN CHURCH

LONDON, (By Wireless)—(RNS)—Disestablishment of the Church of England and representation of the Free Churches in the House of Lords was urged by the Rev. Melbourne E. Aubrey, secretary of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland, in a report presented to its general assembly here.

The conference adopted resolutions urging inclusion of full religious liberty in peace treaties now being considered by the Council of Foreign Ministers and denouncing "restrictions and violations still sanctioned by law in many lands."

In his report calling for disestablishment of the Church of England, Mr. Aubrey denounced the "nationalizing" of religion as a restriction on the freedom of churches. He said:

"It is 'clearly wrong' that the Church of England should have representation in the House of Lords, while the Free Churches cannot be heard there, even though they have played a mighty part in moulding the highest aspirations of our people and have given the nation many of its outstanding leaders."

"Nor is it right," he added, "that

To Be A Minister

When I hear some of the things which young men say to me by way of putting the arguments to themselves for going into the ministry, I think that they are talking of another profession. Their motive is to do something, when it should be to be something. You do not have to be anything in particular to be a lawyer. I have been a lawyer, and I know. You do not have to be anything in particular, except a kind-hearted man, perhaps, to be a physician; you do not have to be anything, nor to undergo any strong spiritual change, in order to be a merchant. The only profession which consists in being something is the ministry of our Lord and Saviour—and it does not consist of anything else. It is manifested in other things, but it does not consist of anything else. And that conception of the minister which rubs all the marks of it off and mixes him in the crowd, so that you cannot pick him out, is a process of eliminating the ministry itself.—Woodrow Wilson, Ex.

on great national occasions of humility before God, or thanksgiving and rejoicing, the Free Churches should be barred from taking a worthy part."

THE COUNTRY PREACHER
SHOULD BE HONORED

Unknown, unsung, and unhonored is the man who works out his life behind the wheel of a rickety old car and puts his eyes out studying by the light of an oil lamp while he shepherds a country church. He is not put on state convention programs; he is never represented on a Southern Baptist Convention list of speakers; the best preacher of them all, his voice is silenced by those who hate split infinitives more than they hate complacency. His wife rubs out clothes on a washboard in water she has pumped from a well out by the horse lot. She cooks over a stove often fired by mesquite roots or cow chips; wraps a wet cloth around a bottle of milk and sets it in a homemade cooler to keep it fit to drink. His children get up long before daylight, walk two miles to catch a school bus and jolt twenty miles to the consolidated school each day. Saturday they enjoy the social event of the week by going to town and getting a sack of striped candy. All hail the country preacher and those who sacrifice with him!

The backbone of Southern Baptist work is the country church. Let it die and our organization vanishes. Let it barely weaken in its fervor and our denomination limps on halting crutches. It is our pride and yet we treat it, as the country preacher would say, "like a red-headed step-son." We consider it fit only as a homiletic laboratory for ministerial students journeying out from the nearest seminary, or for pulpit misfits or supernuaries who should retire.

The country and small town deserves the very best that we have in the way of consecrated, intelligent leadership. The pastor of such a church should be able to live decently and comfortably on a salary that matches his city brother's—if we have to revamp our financial program to make it possible. Many a man who is willing to make any sacrifice himself, yet hesitates to deny his family the necessities of worthwhile living. The rural pastor has many significant advantages over his urban colleague. In some ways his task is easier. He does not have the terrific competition which the city affords; picture shows, entertainment of all kinds, attractive musical programs, and high powered automobiles which carry his members far and wide on the Lord's Day. He is not mixed up with clubs, lodges, civic affairs and social events which hamper his ministry. He can breathe the fresh, clean air, make friends with the clouds, the stars, the sunsets and growing, living things. He can have time for study (if he could only buy the books) and can pray without a fire whistle putting exclamation points in the middle of every sentence. He has advantages which would make his position attractive to the best equipped men—except that such men do not care to starve to death. Who ever saw a fat country preacher?

The day is upon us when we shall have to repent of our sins against the country church. We shall have to set up revolving mission funds to be used in the construction of adequate houses of worship with educational rooms for every class and department of standard Sunday Schools and Training Unions. We shall have to supplement the salaries of rural pastors out of our adequate resources, and what is more, supplement their spirit by giving them deserved recognition. Anything short of these measures is disastrous.—Baptist New Mexican.



Brotherhood Department

J. H. Street, Secretary

TUPELO MEETING

District Four President Winfred Moore announces plans for a district meeting to be held in the Harrisburg (Tupelo) Church, of which he is pastor, on the night of May 24. The Brotherhood of the Harrisburg church is host to the meeting, which is held in the interest of stimulating Brotherhood work all over the district. Secretary Cooke of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South is to be the principal speaker. The Secretary hopes to attend this meeting, also.

We commend Brother Moore and his men upon their fine spirit and courageous initiative in sponsoring this meeting. They look for two hundred men. More power to them!

BOWMAR AVENUE

Mission Becomes Church

The Bowmar Avenue Church, Vicksburg, has much to be thankful for. One thing is the Lord's blessing upon a mission of the church that was launched by the Brotherhood. A preaching station was opened in the Cullin community about five miles north of Vicksburg only a few months ago. Recently this mission has been organized into a church. Rev. J. H. Fairchild, Warren County missionary, greatly assisted in the formation of the church and is now serving as acting pastor. The church began with a full-time program and Sunday School and Training Union.

Local Missions

The Bowmar Avenue Brotherhood from the start emphasized the cause of local missions. They sponsor one preaching station at a mill just north of the city of Vicksburg. Services are held at noon each Thursday, Pastor Homer Roberson preaching.

Interesting Stories

The recent revival in the Bowmar Avenue Church was marked by a most unusual experience, the men playing a leading role. In one service, two men were noticed in the balcony somewhat under the influence of alcohol, but making no disturbance. At the close of the service, both men came down and came into the main auditorium. Kindly treated by church officials, they joined in the singing. After a word from an interested brother, both came to the front and made a profession of faith.

Pastor Robinson handled the delicate problem with master tact, explaining that the men were in no condition to be received into the church, but that they were evidently seeking the Lord. He then invited all the men in the audience who would volunteer to go to the lower auditorium of the church as soon as the service was adjourned, to have a prayer meeting with the two unfortunate men. Almost to a man the brethren gathered in the lower room and remained in prayer for almost an hour. An engagement was made with the men for a conference at a time when they were to be sober. This conference was carried out; and the men made a profession of faith and joined the church and were baptized. Later reports indicate that they have been fully sober since their experience at the church.

One Lady's Witness

One of the Bowmar Avenue women became so concerned about a neighbor that she went to her home after

the breakfast hour and led the lady to Christ in the living room of her home. Later in the morning the Christian witness brought the newly-won disciple to the church, where she made a public profession and united with the church for baptism.

Helpers' Appraisals

Dr. W. E. Greene, who preached in the Bowmar Avenue meeting, and S. W. Valentine, who led the singing, said that they had never been in a church so spiritually electrified as was this church in the meeting.

Tithers, Too

Brother Robinson states that over one hundred families in the church are tithers and that receipts now run over \$2,000.00 per month. The Bowmar Avenue Brotherhood is loyally supporting every phase of the church life and work.

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Chaplains Available For Pastors

Below we list the names and addresses of several chaplains who are now available for pastorates.

Walter J. Davis, 32, 1410 Union Street, Brunswick, Georgia.

Edwin Kraemer, 38, 2109 X Street, Sacramento, California.

James C. Franklin, 39, Birchwood, Tennessee.

Fred A. McCaulley, 53, 815 S. Chilton, Tyler, Texas.

Alvin Edison Clark, 28, 1114 O'Connell Street, Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

James F. Rogers, 48, 312 Jefferson, Ripley, Tennessee.

Richard H. Allmon, 28, 613 Tremont Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Henry J. Davis, 49, 412 Whiting Avenue, Montgomery 6, Alabama.

Harold B. Kuhnle, 41, 1740 Harold Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

Harold F. Ott, 39, Eldon, Missouri.

Homer J. Fussell, 36, Talbotton, Georgia.

Harry V. Smith, 43, Forsyth, Georgia.

Homer W. Thompson, 831 W. Fern St., Sherman, Texas.

James Hugh Kelly, 30, Calhoun, Kentucky.

Edward C. Derr, 38, Shamrock, Texas.

James F. Heaton, 36, 2232 E. 18th, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Raymond A. Coppenger, 37, Auburn, Alabama.

James B. Dailey, 45, Rt. 37, Box 45U, New Orleans, La.

James H. Cox, 44, 1417 N. 8th St., Wichita Falls, Texas.

Carmah C. Underwood, 31, 145 Cypress Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Vernon C. Kuester, 35, 1936 Jean St., Houston 3, Texas.

Earl C. Whitsitt, 51, 812 E. 23rd St., No. Kansas City, Missouri.

Harold B. Cornelison, 38, 423 No. Madison, San Angelo, Texas.

John G. Burkhalter, 37, 1108 Colorado Street, Austin, Texas.

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Lakeland, Fla.: Pastor James S. Day of Southside Church, writes commending the Brotherhood of the South in the effort to have 500 Laymen's Revivals. The idea began with W. M. Hollis, a grocer and member of Southside Church. Laymen performed all the functions of the revival services from Sunday through Wednesday. Lawson H. Cooke, a layman, and Secretary of Brotherhood Department of the South, brought the messages. The purpose of the revival was to enlist men who had dropped out of church during the war, and to re-enlist men

A FAVORITE SERMON



REV. E. G. WALTMAN
STRENGTHENING OUR CHURCHES
BY REV. E. G. WALTMAN
Polkville, Miss.

In Acts 15:22 the whole church had reached a spirit-led conclusion, which they clearly announced, "Send chosen men on prescribed missions, the men chosen, named, sent by the apostles and the whole church." To this Mission there were some disobedient. Paul, a man chastised by the strong hand of God for that very thing while on the Damascus road, did that thing again. Why do I say so? Referring to the sharp contention existing, when the time arrived to begin the commissioned tour, Paul, who was heretofore given to high ideals of his own, possibly has allowed one to catch him again and didn't think it good to take Mark who departed from them. Let us review Acts 15:38. Paul and Silas received only a small part of the Mission running out on blank ground attempting to go where God forbade them. Verse 38 closes "Paul and Silas went NOT WITH THE OTHERS TO THE WORK," the strong point of evidence points to the fact that the others went to the work. But it took a second call by a vision from the hand of God to keep Paul on the right road to success—(Acts 16:3.)

This is a presentation of the facts and sometimes the values of contention. Almost every New Testament or Gospel church of this day is a typical example of some former pastor that has been in charge. There has been a great compromise. In some cases dictatorial heads set up—the God-given rights and power of the church is consumed in a dictator head. All this necessitates the fulfillment of things that have been foretold. Paul said in 2 Thess. 2-3 that "except there come a falling away first, the great man of sin will not be revealed." These things referred to are not coming but are here. We can see them with our own eyes. Let us notice the efforts set forth in the mission under discussion to hamper work. Keep down the incoming winds of doctrines that were rendering confusion affecting the vital mission and the power of a church, as it compromised with other group of different origins having doctrines so different that even the human eye could detect differences in it and the Book of Books, God, the Father, spoke out of the cloud on the mount of transfiguration and said, recently returned from the service. The results were very gratifying says Pastor Day.

Government Lifts "Freeze" On Surplus Chapels

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(RNS)—The "freeze" on the disposition of surplus chapels and chapel equipment which was imposed on January 23 has been lifted at the direction of the President, the War Assets Administration announced here in outlining conditions for the disposal of such property.

Lt. Gen. E. B. Gregory, WAA Administrator, has authorized the Chiefs of Chaplains of the respective services to pass upon applications for the purchase of surplus chapels and to direct the owning and disposal agencies as to the selected purchasers and conditions of purchase, WAA stated.

In the disposal of chapels, WAA pointed out, first consideration will be given to their use as shrines or memorials and second consideration to their use as denominational houses of worship. The disposal price of chapels will be the appraised salvage value if acquired and removed from the site, or, if used in the same spot, the appraised salvage value plus the appraised fair value of the land.

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Dr. A. M. Vollmer, Superintendent of the Louisville Baptist Orphans' Home, has been elected Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Kentucky Baptist Foundation. Dr. Vollmer is an excellent preacher, with marked success in the pastorate. Before he entered the ministry he was connected with the Liberty Insurance Bank in Louisville, Kentucky, which gave him needed financial experience. He is a graduate of Georgetown College, Georgetown, Kentucky, and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

"this is my beloved Son, Hear ye Him." Cannot we detect the voice of the Father and the Son from others: "Come ye out from among them and be ye separate and I will receive you saith the Lord." Some say obeying God's call make you selfish.

Referring briefly to the Lord's last available message to the churches—Revelation 2 and 3, we read of the doctrines from the synagogues of Satan referred to, which I hate said the Master, the doctrines of the Nicolaitanes pointed out which things I HATE, saith the Lord. These Nicolaitanes are of the proselyte order of the regions of Antioch, founded by Nicholas, a proselyte of Antioch (Acts 6:5). Paul himself was once a devout opponent of the faith and truth. These churches under spotlight did things through devout prayer, which brought about conversions of ring leaders as Paul and Nicholas.

If the god whom we serve is the same yesterday and forever He will do these things for us if our petitions are the desires of our hearts. Why not prove and try Him for the desired bleeding. If when Kaiser Bill was erased we had stepped on the open field with the Gospel of regeneration, and made converts of these people we would not have had to spend billions for war when one per cent would have done the job. We would have saved the cash, and the blood and life of our manhood.

God's way is not only the cheapest way, but the best. If we want the funds why not erase the factionary heads and recognize every lay member alike. Then they will function in the giving of the needed funds.

GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

MIDWAY IN LAUDERDALE COUNTY IS NUMBER 811

Rev. L. T. Dygss has succeeded where others, including the circulation manager of the Baptist Record failed. He has led Midway church, Lauderdale County, to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Making the Baptist Record a part of the church program is not the only evidence of progress at Midway. There have been seven additions in the last three weeks.

Lumber is on the ground and plans made for the construction of a two-story annex. Four Sunday School rooms were added in 1945.

Plans have also been made for a school of music and a V.B.S. during the summers.

Lauderdale County now has Record readers listed as follows: MT. OLIVE 15, BETHANY 33, COLLINSVILLE 15, Daleville 8, FELLOWSHIP 23, Goodwater 14, HICKORY GROVE 21, Hickory Ridge 9, HIGHLAND 364, Hopewell 1, KEWANEE 21, Lauderdale 13, LIBERTY 16, Macedonia 7, MARION 25, Mehan 11, MIDWAY 52, FIFTEENTH AVENUE 354, MERIDIAN FIRST 492, CAUSEYVILLE 44, ARKADELPHIA 33, Eighth Avenue 75, FORTY-FIRST AVENUE 254, MT. GILEAD 36, MT. NEBO 12, NEW HOPE 36, OAK GROVE 57, PINE GROVE 61, POPLAR SPRINGS DRIVE 125, RUSSELL 41, SOUTHSIDE 158, TOOMSUBA 30, Union 1, Providence 15, HEbron 37, NEW ZION 16, SALEM 35, MT. HOREB 37, Pleasant Hill 1, Long Creek 9.

BEREA

Berea Church, Itawamba County, is not a large church, but it joins more than 800 other Mississippi Baptist churches in making the Baptist Record a part of its program.

Ellis Brown recently sent a list of families to whom the Baptist Record is to go.

Itawamba County now has Record readers as follows: BEREIA 14, EVERGREEN 29, FAIRVIEW 15, MT. PISGAH 12, Pleasant Grove 1, POPLAR SPRINGS 16, SALEM 37, Tremont 1, TRINITY 26, New Bethel 6, Antioch 7, OZARK 17, Pleasant Ridge 7.

NEW ALBANY

New Albany Baptists, Rev. J. R. Davis, pastor, are rejoicing over a record attendance of 303 in the Training Union.

The present building is now inadequate for the number of people attending and an educational building is being planned. More than \$12,000 is in a building fund for the purpose. Another progressive move is the installation of a visual education program.

Record readers in Union County are now listed as follows: CENTER 45, AMAZIAH 26, Blue Springs 7, GLENFIELD 33, MYRTLE 52, NEW ALBANY FIRST 323, NEW HARMONY 63, Oak Grove 1, WALLERVILLE 44, Jericho 1, Macedonia 1, ELLISTOWN 55, NEELY MEMORIAL 27, ENTERPRISE 44, Pleasant Hill 14, INGOMAR 83, HARMONY 25, Unity 1, MARTIN 19.

Dr. Lowrey Presents Four Awards

Blue Mountain, Miss., May 18 — Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, president of Blue Mountain College, made the annual awards to four Blue Mountain College students in a recent general assembly: The Rosa Mae Kennedy Award to the outstanding music student was given Bettie Jane Boland, member of the junior class from Tralake; The Florence Connally Tyler Award, presented annually to the student who, in the opinion of the student body, most naturally exemplifies the "fruit" of the Christian Spirit as depicted in Galatians 5:22, was made to Dorothy Lee Jefferson, Inverness; The Lowrey Powell Award, given annually to a member of the senior class assisting with her college expenses by her own work who receives the unanimous vote of the faculty for exemplary conduct and character, was made to Louise Freeman, Tucuman, Argentina; Mary Ann Durham, Itta Bena, received the Nettie Courtney Paris Award, which goes to the student who, in the judgment of the faculty, best typifies the spirit and educational ideals of the college. It is offered in encouragement of such Christian traits as characterize an energetic, effective, loyal, sincere and consecrated student.

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Alaska Baptist Convention Organized

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — (RNS) — Baptist work, planted here scarcely three years ago by an army chaplain from Hot Springs, Ark., blossomed into its own with the announcement of organization of the Alaska Baptist Convention, employment of a mission staff and launching of a monthly denominational newspaper.

The Alaska Convention also voted to petition the Southern Baptist Convention, soon to meet in Miami, Fla., for affiliating membership. All pastors in the Alaska field have come from Southern states.

Fearing that discussion between Northern Baptists and Southern Baptists may follow the Alaska Convention's petition to the Miami meeting, the Rev. William A. Petty, president of the Baptist College of Alaska and editor of the newly-founded Alaska Baptist Messenger, explained that "by the 'you take one and I'll take one' method of dividing mission fields, the Northern Baptist Convention drew a part of Alaska as its mission responsibility. Until just before the war they were content with only an orphanage on Kodiak Island. Since then one mission church has been organized on

ECRU

Under the leadership of Rev. H. G. West, Ecrú Church has advanced from one-fourth time to one-half time and the offerings have doubled since January first when the half time program began.

According to Pastor West the Sunday School is one of the best in the history of the church.

Baptist Record readers in Pontotoc County are now listed as follows: Algoma 2, CHERRY CREEK 40, Duncan Creek 4, ECRU 17, FURRS 74, LONGVIEW 74, PONTOTOC FIRST 159, Randolph 2, TOCCOPOLA 31, TOXISH 24, ZION 17, Cary Springs 1, CENTER HILL 14, Shady Grove 2, ENDVILLE 28, Locust Hill 1.

Webbs Celebrate Golden Wedding



MR. AND MRS. R. L. WEBB

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Webb celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on April 21 at the home of their son, John J. Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. Webb joined the Baptist Church of Wallace, Alabama in June 1896, but they have been members of the Oral Church for 24 years.

The honorees received gifts from relatives and friends who called during the day.

Their children are John J. Webb of Sumrall, and Mrs. P. E. Hatten of Meridian.

the same island, leaving the vast mainland to the sects, isms and perverted gospels."

The Convention work on the mainland includes churches at Anchorage and Juneau, missions at Fairbanks and East Anchorage, the College of Alaska, and a plot for an orphanage and summer encampments.

Dr. J. T. Spurlin, pastor of the Juneau church is president of the new convention. Other officers are Rev. Odel Lene, Anchorage, vice-president; Rev. O. C. Duncan, Fairbanks, recording secretary; Rev. Felton Griffin, Anchorage, executive secretary; and the Rev. William A. Petty, Anchorage, editor of the Alaska Baptist Messenger. Two preachers and three laymen make up the Executive Board.

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More Baptist churches were damaged and destroyed in England than in all of Continental Europe — Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke.



Department of Church Music

LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

Sunday School Hymn Players

The Church and Associational contests should be held before the end of May. If your Associational contest has not been held, see your Associational Sunday School Superintendent at once. The District Contests will be held in June and will be led by the District Music Director. These will be announced soon and the dates for contests will be in this column at an early date.

Training Union Ensembles

All Associational contests should be held in May and the District contests will be held at your Training Union District Convention in June.

Brotherhood Quartets Coming In

We still have Quartet books for any quartet organized by any church anywhere. THEY ARE FREE. All we ask is that you send us the name of the members. You can have a Brotherhood Quartet without a Brotherhood. Send your requests to Box 530, Music Department, Jackson.

Music Conference At Miami

Your secretary had the pleasure of attending the Southern Baptist Convention at Miami, Florida where the Music secretaries from the other states had several good meetings. Many plans were discussed and plans for 1947 were made. The greatest of these will be a Leadership School for all Church Musicians. We will have some of the outstanding Musicians of this country here at that time. We will have classes in Conduction, Hymn Playing, Directing, Voice Training, Choral Direction, Music Appreciation, and other courses.

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Hattiesburg, Main Street Church:

On April 28 our church took one of the most forward steps it has ever taken in voting to purchase the Robertson property just east of our present building. This will double the amount of ground that the church now owns. The property just purchased covers a frontage of 200 feet and goes to a depth of 231 feet. As soon as the building is vacated it will be utilized for the Sunday School and other meetings of the church.

On page six of the Teacher for May is an article written by C. H. Lipsey of Brookhaven. Professor Lipsey is a son of Dr. P. I. Lipsey of Clinton and a member of First Church, Brookhaven.

Books And Bibles

It pays to visit Tabernacle Baptist Book Store (open 9:00 a. m. daily) with widest variety of religious titles, where you get best for less, from a non profit organization. Part of profit goes to customer and part to service men worldwide. A \$1.00 book free to customers with each \$5.00 mail order from catalog. Write for free catalog. We have best books for home, church, school, personal libraries, good Bibles (also white) and testaments. We have finest Sermon books by sound gospel preachers and teachers; Bible Studies, Reference Books, Character Building, Good Stories, Clean Fiction, Christian Biographies, Great Doctrines, Commentaries, Dictionaries, Concordances, Devotional, Inspiration, Meditation, Prophecy, Theology History, Special subjects and Chorus Books. We have books for all tastes of men, women, boys, girls, young people, also religious education, non-sectarian titles and novelties. We have many more titles than listed in our catalog. Our catalog for customers' convenience. Get one.

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Sunday School Department

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W. R. ROBERTS, Associate

Young People's Clinic

The Baptist leaders of Pike County have for some time felt the need for more emphasis on the work of the Young People's department. This need has been very evident during the war and since.

In the light of this need, the pastors and superintendents have invited Wilburn Roberts, associate secretary of Sunday School work in Mississippi and director of Young People's work in the Sunday School Department, and Philip B. Harris, superintendent of Young People's work of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., to be in Pike County the week of June 2-6. Both of these young men have been and are giving their lives in the service of the young people.

The week's work opens on Sunday afternoon, June 2, at 2:30, with a Young People's rally at the First Baptist Church, McComb, Miss., with a program by young people and for young people. The work of the week will be primarily for teachers, general officers and class officers of young people, and will consist mainly of demonstrations of the opening worship service, officers and teachers' meeting and teaching of the lesson, each of which will be followed by a period of evaluation and discussion.

All who are interested in young people and their welfare are cordially invited to attend these meetings each night—Monday through Friday—at the First Baptist Church, McComb.

The Water Valley Way

The Water Valley Baptist Church, Rev. W. C. Howard, pastor, is going to pay for a special worker for Vacation Bible School and study course work this summer for that association.

That is real mission work right at home. That is a mighty fine way to help carry the gospel message to people within the home association. It is a way of being a blessing to many who would not have the joys and privileges of Vacation Bible Schools without this help.

This action by that fine church is most commendable and we would urge that others go thou and do likewise. We appreciate it so much.

We Are Sorry

We are indeed sorry that a great number of people have not been able to get reservations at Ridgecrest this year. It seems that since it was not open last year that literally thousands have sought reservations, and the result that many have had to be denied because of limited facilities.

The Sunday School Board was so very eager to add additional space for this year, but the building situation and the material restrictions have simply made it impossible. All regret this very much, and we shall hope that matters will be changed by another year so that more space can be added, and thus care for many more people than is possible with what is there now.

We know of more than 30 Mississippians who wanted to go and could not get reservations. We are sorry. Let's try again for next year.

Here And There

Rev. John B. Laney, Prentiss associational missionary, writes as fol-

lows regarding a recent study course in one of their churches: "The Sunday School seems to be revived because of the study course. A religious census is to be taken, additional teachers secured, the Six Point Record system installed, the auditorium curtained for more classes, and the building painted."

That sounds very much like business, and that progress is the watchword. Success to them in all good things.

Vicksburg: Rev. James Fairchild, Warren County extension leader, tells of the organization of a new church recently in the Calkin Academy community, near Vicksburg. They have a Sunday School and plan to have a Vacation Bible School this year.

New churches, schools, etc., is one of our great needs today. We are grateful for this new church.

Macedonia: The Sunday School of the Macedonia Baptist church in Lincoln County, Rev. A. W. Talbert, pastor, recently had 166 present, 166 on time and 166 attending preaching. That's about as near perfect as can be, and it shows the interest the people there have in their work. Congratulations!

Drew: We recently received a report of a study course at Drew, and taught by the pastor, Dr. W. S. Hardin, for 50 awards, which is an unusually large number for a membership of that size. They really believe in training the workers there.

Magee: Rev. G. O. Parker, pastor, recently taught a study course at Magee and had more men completing the course than women, which is more than unusual.

What is your method, Brother Parker?

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New Convention Leader Is Former Journalist

Here's a thumbnail sketch of Dr. Louie D. Newton, new president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Born April 27, 1892, on a farm in Screven county, Georgia, he was raised as a farmer, trained as a newspaperman and took over his present pastorate while still a layman.

He worked his way through Mercer University at Macon, Ga., on The Macon Telegraph, and through graduate school at Columbia University on the old New York World, which gave such journalistic figures as Irvin S. Cobb to the world.

Although now pastor of Druids Hill Church, Atlanta, printer's ink still flows in his veins. He contributes daily and weekly columns to Georgia newspapers and is the author of "This Changing World" printed in Baptist weeklies.

One of the leaders in organization and operation of the Baptist World Alliance meeting held in Atlanta in 1939, he now holds the assistant secretaryship of the organization and the presidency of the executive board of the Georgia Baptist Convention.

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Guide: "This castle has stood here for 300 years. Not a stone has been moved, not a stone has been touched, nothing altered, nothing repaired." **Tourist:** "They must have the same landlady as we have back home."



Blue Mountain, Miss., May 10—Jean Anderson, Collierville, Tennessee, left, who has been elected editor of the Mountain Breeze, student literary publication of Blue Mountain College, for the session 1946-47, and Barbara Loden, New Albany, business manager.

CROWDER FOSTERS MISSION OBSERVES YOUTH WEEK

A new record was set for Crowder on May 5 when 208 people attended the Sunday School. A mission has been opened five miles south of Crowder under the sponsorship of the Brotherhood and the Sunday school. There, on April 28, they had 85 present, and on May 5, had 88 attendance.

Observing Youth Week, the following held the places of leadership in the Crowder church: Sunday school Superintendent, J. C. Kelly; BTU Director, Earline Bailey; Deacons, James Jones, William Harrison, Theorn White and Ronlad Ellis; WMU president, Hazel McCrary; Sunday school teachers: Mary Evelyn Choate, Kenneth Griffith, Maurice Ellis, Louise Wimberly, Gladys Shaw, Frankie Harrison and Margaret Dalton; BTU Officers and Leaders: Gladys Shaw, Atrell Davis, Jean Jennings, Harold Bailey, Willie Davis Parish and Patsy Elliott.—Lloyd Shelton, Pastor.

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Miss Audrey Lindley has accepted the position of Church Hostess and Librarian for the Main Street Church, Hattiesburg. She will assume her duties June 15.

CONVENTION SIDELIGHTS

By A. L. GOODRICH

Convention President Pat M. Neff arrived late for the opening session. He explained his tardiness by stating that he was operating on Texas time instead of Eastern Daylight Savings time which prevails in Miami. When it is 10 o'clock in Miami it is eight o'clock in Waco.

Dr. McConnell of South Carolina in responding to the address of welcome said Florida had recovered from four major disasters and now the Baptists have come.

The best microphone voice of the Convention belongs to Dr. Wyatt Hunter, pastor First Church, McComb. His voice was more audible than any speaker we heard.

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Yazoo City: Our Sunday School since it became the Second Church in December has grown from 15 to an enrollment of 90. We had nine charter members and now have 26 members. What we need most is a church building.—Mrs. J. N. Nesmith, Clerk.

May 25th - - - 7:45 P. M. Saturday
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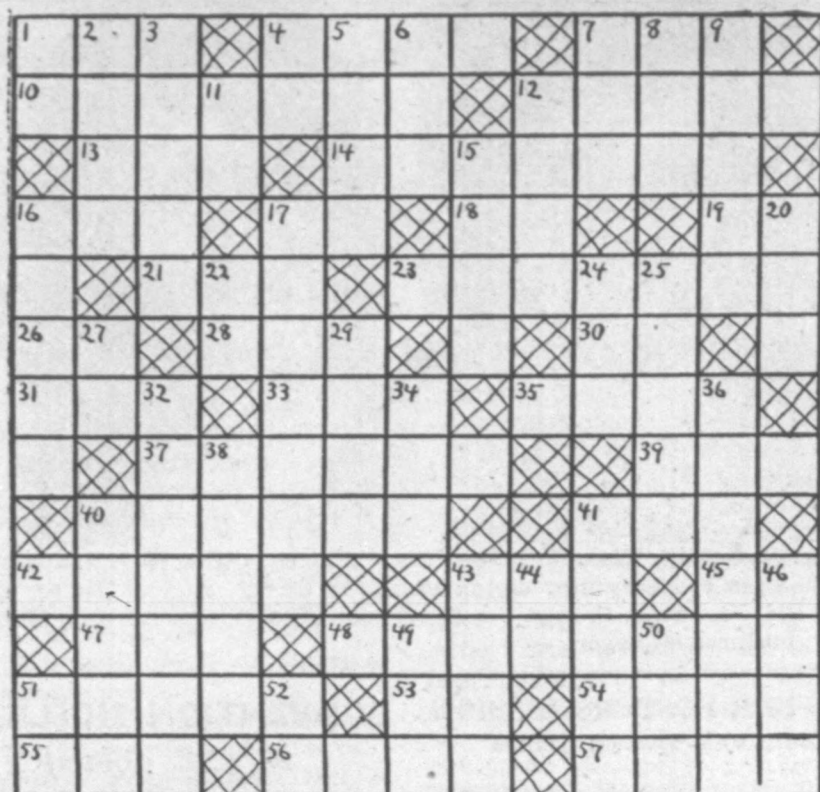
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"And the Lord said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth?"—Job 1:8.

ACROSS

- 1 "Then Job answered . . . said"
- 4 "so . . . this man was the greatest of all the men of the east"
- 7 "There was a . . . in the land of Uz"
- 10 It may be the King James one
- 12 Brother of Moses
- 13 "And there . . . a day"
- 14 "Mark the . . . man"
- 16 Distinctive doctrine
- 17 In brief, that is
- 18 Hawkeye State
- 19 Copper
- 21 " . . . the Lord said unto Satan"
- 23 "and behold the . . ."
- 26 City east of Bethel; animal
- 28 Measure of Egypt
- 30 Elder
- 31 " . . . I only am escaped"
- 33 "they rent every . . . his mantle"
- 35 "it may be . . . my sons have sinned"
- 37 Speaks
- 39 "or to hear some . . . thing"
- 40 "Thou, even thou, art to be . . ."
- 41 "Doth Job fear . . . for nought?"
- 42 Masculine name
- 43 Son of Bani Ezra 10:34
- 45 From
- 47 "put forth thine hand now, . . . touch all that he hath"
- 48 Avoided
- 51 "and there were . . . on either side on the place of the seat"
- 53 Hawaiian lava
- 54 Indian millet; arid (anag.)
- 55 Balaam had a talking one
- 56 "When I looked for good, then . . ."

DOWN

- 57 Formerly
- Our Text from Job is 1, 4, 7, 13, 14, 21, 23, 31, 33, 35, 40, 41, 47, 48, and 56 combined.
- 1 King James Bible
- 2 "good . . . from a far country"
- 3 The book of Job is this
- 4 Half time note
- 5 "and mine . . . hath he removed like a tree"
- 6 Suffix used in chemistry
- 7 Modern feminine name
- 8 God's "bow in the cloud" is one
- 9 Nick
- 11 Sunday School
- 12 "And when they lifted up their eyes . . . off"
- 15 "Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is . . ."
- 16 Father of Esau and Jacob
- 17 Idiocy (rare)
- 20 American Indian
- 22 Notary Public
- 24 Issue (Scots Law)
- 25 Spanish weight; organ (anag.)
- 27 " . . . all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly"
- 29 "As I live, saith the Lord, every . . . shall bow to me"
- 32 Chaperons
- 34 The earth (Dial. Eng.)
- 36 Hay machines
- 38 Late
- 40 Exploits
- 41 Bird unfit to eat Deut. 14:13
- 43 "unto Ithiel and . . ." Prov. 30:1
- 44 Expression of inquiry
- 46 Revise manuscript
- 49 Monkey
- 50 "the day of battle and . . ."
- 51 Continent
- 52 Compass point

(Answers on Page Fifteen)

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Ernest Earl Kelly, graduate of Mississippi College and who has just finished his second year at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, is serving as assistant pastor to Dr. F. M. Powell, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo. He is also serving in educational and recreational work of the church in a most acceptable manner. He will serve during the four months of his vacation. Mr. Kelly's home is in the Cherry Creek community, Pontotoc County, the home of Miss Pearl Caldwell.

Mississippi Baptist

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Street, McComb, Mississippi; Caloway O. White, Fourth Service Command, Ft. McPherson, Georgia; and others.

It is another great day for Evangelism! From news reports it appears that Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, First Baptist Church, Tampa, Florida, is to become the next president of Baptist Bible Institute. We know of no man better prepared with finer natural and acquired spiritual characteristics and personality traits for this great position of service. We pledge him the full co-operation of this office. We are assured the love and prayers of Mississippi Baptists along with all Southern Baptists will follow him.

In our opinion, the leadership of the Holy Spirit in Southern Baptist life has not been in greater evidence at any point than at this point of leading the board of all our seminaries from time to time in calling our presidents.

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ANSWERS CRITICS OF REVISED NEW TESTAMENT

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — (RNS) — Critics of the Revised Standard Version of the New Testament who complain some beauty of language has been lost in the revision should ask themselves a question, according to Dr. Clarence Tucker Craig, Oberlin, Ohio, one of the revisers.

The question they should ask, Dr. Craig said here, is:

Are you interested in a piece of English literature or an accurate version of the original Biblical text?

Most of the criticism of the Revised Standard Version, which appeared in February, comes from those whose interest in the Bible is purely literary, Dr. Craig, who is professor of New

Testament languages and literature at Oberlin College, said.

The new version was needed, Dr. Craig insisted, because previous translations were based on corrupt medieval manuscripts. More accurate manuscripts have been discovered since the King James Version of 1611 was produced, he said.

A revision also was needed to remove words that were obsolete or that had changed in meaning, he pointed out.

Dr. Craig said response to the new version has been "beyond expectations" and reported some so-called fundamentalist churches are among those using the new version.

He spoke here at a meeting sponsored by Minneapolis Ministerial Association.

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JOE ABRAMS

Have you been "completing the poster we had in The Record several weeks ago. This is the sixth picture, Mr. Joe Abrams, new associate in the Training Union Department. Mr. Abrams is to be the leader of the conference for the adults. Here they will discuss plans for more efficient Adult Union work, including means of enlisting the adult membership of the churches for training. The closing period of the conventions will be used by Mr. Abrams as we think together of the effect of Missions in the world.

Just ten days and we will be gathering in Booneville for our first District Training Union Convention. The convention will open at 1:30 with Mr. Luther Harrison, our State Music Secretary in charge of the music. Let all singers be there to help make this "music festival" inspiring. We are hoping that several Girls Ensembles

will be there to help with the special music.

Outline of the District Convention Program will be in next week's Record.

Covington Associational Training Union Continues Its Expansion Program

A full report is not in from Covington County but this spring, as last spring, an extensive program of extension has been promoted. Let us share with you a word from Mrs. C. C. Rogers, Associational Director. "We are tonight completing study courses in six churches this month, (March) and have three more to go into. We believe we will have more than 400 who will receive awards. Last Sunday afternoon we held our officers and leaders council. There were 55 present from eight churches. We are making plans to REALLY do some work next year." Mrs. Rogers had three teams of volunteer workers from the county who did the teaching in these study courses, receiving a blessing themselves as well as being a blessing to many others.

Louisville Training Union Promotes Two Special Events

Miss Mary Emily Greenway, director of Young People's work in the Louisville church writes, "We have had a very profitable Youth Week under the direction of the Training Union. In the evening service one of our older Intermediates brought the message and one of the Junior boys came on profession and a mother came rededicating her life. We had some impressive hours together during the week, and it was excellent training for all who participated." It was the pleasure and privilege of two of our state Training Union workers to help in a Training School for the Training Union the last week in April. It proved to be one of the best we have worked in in some time. Splendid preparations had been made. A thorough visitation program carried out on the Sunday the school began. The attendance for the week averaged 134 in spite of a cut attendance one night on account of heavy rain. Pastor Day gave himself before and during the week of study wholeheartedly to the program. Superintendent Anderson was loyal both in planning and helping to carry out the plans for the week. These three church leaders were in the Training Union Manual class each night "scotching" for the teacher. It should be said to the credit of the other leaders of the church, especially in the Training Union that they too cooperated in a great way, and a goodly number of them were also in this Training Union Manual class. The work is departmentized with two or more unions in each department. Interest is increasing, attendance is growing, and efficiency marks the work both in the Sunday night programs and during the week.

Calvary, Greenwood, Makes Rapid Progress In The Training Program
Quoting Director Kenneth Day, Greenwood Calvary Church, "We are having a grand time in the Training Union in Calvary Baptist Church in Greenwood. In the general assembly



ELLIOTT N. LINDBLAD

FIRST SOUTHERN RADIO AND MUSIC CONFERENCE MEETS SEPT. 7-14

Elliott N. Lindblad, Industrial Chaplain of the LeTourneau Company of Georgia, and WRLC radio artist and musician, has announced that the Lake Louise Conference Grounds at Toccoa, Georgia, will be the site of the first Southern Radio and Music Conference, September 7th through the 14th, 1946.

R. G. LeTourneau, Christian manufacturer and philanthropist, who is known as "America's Number One Layman," is the founder of this conference, and Mr. Lindblad, the director, explains that in the LeTourneau manner, this conference will be unusual. It will be given over to instruction in the field of radio and music, with additional courses offered in such vital subjects as "Youth for

which comes just before the preaching service the rule has been established that the Adults will have the feature the first Sunday night in each month, the Young People the second, the Intermediates the third, the Juniors the fourth, and on fifth Sundays the Story Hour. You would be surprised at the enthusiasm with which the members tackle this job." Mr. Day goes on to tell about the successful study course they had, and also rejoices in the fact that the church was observing Youth Week, their first. The church honored Mr. Day by asking him to serve as pastor during Youth Week. We rejoice with this fine director in the progress being made and extend our hearty congratulations.

Congratulations to Greenville Church, Baxterville, Miss., on the organization of a Training Union following a splendid study course taught by Brother O. O. Davis. Officers elected are: Director, Mrs. Leo Saucier; Asso. Dir., L. C. Wilson, Jr.; Secty., Billy Jeane Lott; Chorister, Mr. Louis Myrick; Pianist, Mrs. Leo Saucier.

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Dry Cleaning Plant To Serve Churches Without Charge

WASHINGTON, N. C.—(RNS)—A new dry cleaning plant which has opened here has advised "all churches and Christian organizations" that robes and church paraphernalia will be cleaned free of charge.

Carl Swicegood, proprietor, in announcing the policy stated that "I have never charged for this kind of work in my 35 years of experience."

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Christ," "Industrial Chaplaincy," and Public Speaking. Many nationally known Christian leaders and musicians will be coming to do the teaching.

The first conference will feature the talents of such outstanding artists as Talmage J. Pittikofer, Chicago, Illinois for Music and Public Speaking; Billy Graham, of Chicago Illinois, for "Youth for Christ;" Elliott N. Lindblad, of Toccoa, Georgia for Radio Technique and "Industrial Chaplaincy"; Inspirational speakers: Mr. R. G. LeTourneau, Longview, Texas; Dr. William L. Pettingill, Wilmington, Delaware; Dr. Robert G. Lee, Memphis, Tennessee; Dr. R. A. Forrester, Toccoa Falls, Georgia; Dr. Herbert Lockyer, London, England, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Dr. Paul S. James, Atlanta, Georgia, and others.

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Sunday School Lesson

FINDING A NEW SENSE OF VALUES Devotional Reading, Matthew 6:19-23

Who learns from Christ a new sense of values and regulates his life by it? Not the foolish farmer who thought he had "much goods laid up for many years" (Luke 12:19-20); not the rich ruler who declined to give up all for Christ, though "he was very sorrowful" (Luke 18:24-30); but the penitent publican who upon receiving Jesus gave half his goods to the poor and made fourfold restitution (Luke 19:1-10), and the consistent Christian who will not let his "good be evil spoken of" (Rom. 14:16-17).

Lesson Text and Outline

Luke 18:24-27; 19:1-10; Rom. 14:16-17

I. A Slave of Mammon (Luke 18)

24 And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, he said. How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!

25 For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

26 And they that heard it said, Who then can be saved?

27 And he said, The things which are impossible with men are possible with God.

II. A Servant of Christ (Luke 19)

1 And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho.

2 And, behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich.

3 And he sought to see Jesus who he was: and could not for the press, because he was little of stature.

4 And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way.

5 And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house.

6 And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.

7 And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner.

8 And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.

9 And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham.

10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

III. A Subject of the Kingdom

(Romans 14)

16 Let not then your good be evil spoken of:

17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

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Last December, Dr. F. M. McConnell, formerly editor of the Baptist Standard, Texas, suffered a stroke caused by a small blood clot on the brain. For some time, it seemed he would never recover. However, we are glad to report that he rallied and is now about recovered. Blessings be upon this friend and faithful follower of Christ.

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Pray For Convention Officers

Dr. Louie D. Newton, new president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and his associates have a tremendous task to do during the coming year. Let us pray that he and all of us, as Baptists, shall make the entire world feel the limitless impact of the gospel of Christ as it has never felt it before. No thinking Christian can help realizing that neither atomic energy nor anything else is the thing to be feared during these days. The trouble always has been, is now, and always shall be SIN, and the need has been, is, and ever shall be a Saviour, even Christ, our Lord.

MC Sends List of Youth Revivalist

Miriam Hollis, Mississippi College BSU President, has sent a rather long list of Youth Revival prospects. Now there are more boys than girls signed. If a few more girls volunteer, we shall have enough prospects for ten teams. See what you can do about getting some churches or pastors to write for a team during July or August.

Ridgecrest Deadline Near

Remember, the deadline for Ridgecrest registration (\$1.00), round-trip bus fare (\$18.00), and reservations for hotel or cottages is May 25. We have come within a few of reaching our quota, at this writing. Perhaps by the time this is printed we shall have reached or passed the 127-mark.

You may send or bring all your programs and ideas either to Miss Jenny Lind Gatlin, Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C., or to me at the same address. Miss Betty Gail Clark, MSCW, State Social Chairman, has agreed to help with our part of the Exhibit.

Mississippi's Chester Swor; Virginia's Dr. Ted Adams, Miss Inabelle Graves Coleman, and Bill Marshall; Florida's Sen. Claude Pepper; England's Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, and many others are going to be there!!!

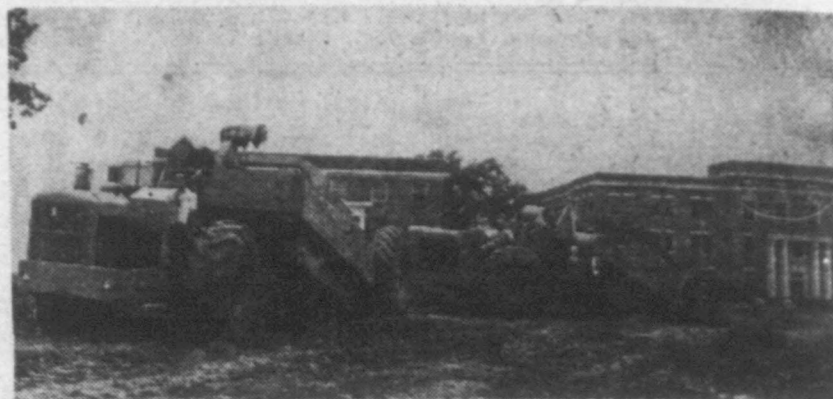
Louisiana BSU Secretary Otto Estes writes that he can squeeze a few of us into their two train coaches. If you want to catch this train either at Hattiesburg or Meridian, you had better write me immediately after reading this, it matters not whether you have written me before about going to Ridgecrest by train. The Louisiana train leaves June 3rd, arrives at the Crest June 4th, stopping at Hattiesburg at 11:40 a. m. and at Meridian at 2:40 p. m. the 3rd. It is 11:40 a. m. if there will not be enough to go by rail to warrant chartering a coach. Mississippi will go by bus, if nothing prevents.

Peregrinations

Eva Lois and I both have recently had the privilege of bringing devotionals to the Draughton's Business School noon-day prayer meeting group here in Jackson. Mrs. W. B. Halliday, who has done more for Draughton's than any other human being, is appreciated greatly by all the students there and by all of us who are interested in seeing students helped spiritually. This prayer meeting is evidently averaging about twenty daily.

I wish to say that I am 115% for the Youth for Christ movement here in Jackson. Was privileged to give a

ADMINISTRATORS SEE COLLEGE GROUND BREAKING



Dr. D. M. Nelson college president, and Hon. T. M. Hederman, president of his board of trustees, view with unbounded enthusiasm the start of earth-moving operations at Mississippi College marking the site of the administration building, and leading to the erection of a girls' dormitory nearby. Huge 25-ton LeTourneau earth-moving machines are seen in the background as they stand ready to begin leveling the top of the hill.

M. C. Students Study Historic Marker



Students shown in the picture left to right, front row: Emogene Ray of Pontotoc; Opal Young of Clinton; Patty Ann Hall of Carthage and Betty Zachery of Lena; Second row: Berdie Summerhill of Kosciusko; Margaret Wheat of Kosciusko; Joe Skinner of Tupelo; Bonnie Jean Parker of Louisville; Mary White Nelson of Clinton and Mary Catherine Fletcher of Kosciusko.

Modern College students learn the story of the old Indian Trail which became the famous Natchez Trace which ran through what is now the Mississippi College campus, as they study the Natchez Trace marker on the grounds at Clinton. The marker stands by Highway 80 and calls to mind some proud periods for this section. Stage coaches passed this way in days before the name Clinton, in honor of Governor Dewitt Clinton of New York, was given to the settlement.

The first brick home in Hinds County was built at Clinton with slave labor by Walter Leake, who later became United States Senator. The first

testimony for Christ at one of these meetings the other night.

We (my better 9-10ths and I) spent a very rainy, busy, but most pleasant and, I believe, profitable day and a half with Brother Moulder and his fine BSU'ers at Mississippi Southern recently. Dahlia Noel, new president, and many others are doing some good work down there for our Lord. We attempted to teach Methods and speak at several other meetings.

The Belhaven Spring Retreat and a visit to MSCW are ahead. RR(Remember Ridgecrest)!

post office in Mississippi was at Clinton, as was the first Land Office. The second railroad in the state ran from Clinton to Vicksburg. This road was extended to what is now Jackson in 1840, and the train came into Jackson on wooden rails on which had been nailed iron strips. During the decade 1830-1840, Clinton was the third largest city in the state, being next to Vicksburg and Natchez. There were five hotels, 40 stores (most of which were brick), two banks, two livery stables, a newspaper and a large lottery. It is said that 20,000 bales of cotton were shipped from Clinton annually during this decade.

The history of Mississippi College is entwined with the stirring story of the past since the school, first known as Hamstead Academy, was founded in 1826, being the oldest college in Mississippi. It has been known as Mississippi College since 1830.

In 1946 the campus is flooded with the finest youth of the land, in growing numbers, and with the successful completion of the campaign for enlargement funds the future is brighter than ever, according to Dr. D. A. (Scotchie) McCall, who has just finished his term of special service as general director for the drive.